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BIRTH.

BRIDGES—February 22, 1924, at 30 Neville rd., Rathgar, Dublin, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Bridges, 9 Seaton ter., Enniskillen, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

CRAWFORD and FLYNN—February 6, 1924, at Portuguna Parish Church, by the Rev. E. E. Rush, Samuel Claude Crawford, third son of Mrs. H. G. Crawford, Rathkeale, and the late J. J. Crawford, to Ethel Violet, second daughter of Mrs. Flynn, Montygall, and the late Jackson Flynn.

DOUGLAS and CRICHTON—February 21, 1924, at Donard Church, Beltra, Ireland, Olga Margaret, daughter of Alexander and Olga Crichton, to George Vibert Douglas, of Montreal.

CARRY and MOLONEY—February 12, 1924, at St. Paul's, Arran quay, with Nuptial Mass and Papal Blessing, by the Rev. B. Macnamara, C.C., Ballynacally, assisted by the Rev. Fr. Anthony, O.F.M., and the Rev. M. Martin Patrick, eldest son of Michael and Bridget Carry, Ballymacally, to Alice, seventh daughter of James and Bridget Moloney, Drumquin, Ennis.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on page 6.

FitzGERALD—February 23, 1924, at Rome, of pneumonia, Lord George FitzGerald.

FRAZER—February 23, 1924, suddenly, at Annagh, Co. Sligo, Edith, second daughter of John Frazer, Esq., of Riversdale, Co. Roscommon. Funeral private.

GALWAY—February 25, 1924, at Nenagh, Richard Galway, Lisduff, in his 87th year. Funeral from Nenagh Church to-morrow (Wednesday), 1 o'clock, to Killodiernan.

McENTIRE—February 23, 1924, at 23 Pembroke Park, Dublin, Rosa Josephine Elizabeth, widow of Alexander McEntire, R.I., late Official Assignee in the Court of Bankruptcy. Funeral private.

MORTON—February 23, 1924, at 1 Old Brighton, Monkstown, Florence, widow of the late S. J. Morton, Captain, Carabineers, of Condamy, Shinrone, and daughter of the late Hugh Kennedy, Cultra, Co Down.

MURPHY—February 24, 1924, at her residence, Castlemore, Tullow, Co Carlow, Mrs. James Murphy. Deeply regretted. R.I.P. Funeral from Castlemore at 10.30 a.m. to-day (Tuesday) to Rathoe, thence and High Mass at Rathoe at 11.30 a.m., same day.

O'NEILL—February 24, 1924, at his residence, 15 Fitzwilliam square, James Randolph O'Neill, eldest son of the late Joseph O'Neill and of Margaret O'Neill, Hazeldean, Sydney Parade. Deeply regretted by his loving wife, mother, sisters, and brothers. R.I.P. Funeral private.

WILSON—February 24, 1924, at Street House, Annie Ferguson, widow of Ballygarvey. Funeral to-day, 3.30, for Rathaspic.

WOODS—February 24, 1924, at her residence, O'Neill st., Carrickmacross, Margaret Woods, relict of the late William Woods, Cattle Dealer, and mother of Patrick, William, and John Joe Woods. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing family and a large circle of friends. R.I.P. Funeral from St. Joseph's to New Cemetery at 2 o'clock to-morrow (Wednesday), 27th inst.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mr. Edward Mitchell, Ballina House, Maryborough, wishes to acknowledge the many kind letters and telegrams of sympathy he has received in his recent bereavement, and hopes his friends will accept this as an expression of his heartfelt thanks to them for their kind messages to him in his deep sorrow.

The family of the late **John Smyth**, Garrysallagh House, Monkstown, desire to return sincere thanks to all who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, and trust they will accept this acknowledgment.

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MOTOR NOTES.

THE NEED FOR INSURANCE.

(By Our Motoring Correspondent.)

The majority of us are covered by insurance against all ordinary risks, but occasionally I meet a hardy individual who refuses to take out a policy. Some have such a supreme confidence in their own driving ability and luck that they regard insurance as unnecessary expenditure, while others refuse to take a policy because they believe that the premiums are too high. The latter class is always miserable.

I notice that an English County Court Judge came out strongly as an advocate of compulsory insurance. There is much to be said for his view. The only argument that I ever have heard advanced against it is that compulsory insurance would result in an increase in the number of road hogs. Personally, I do not think that there is much in the point. But even if the argument were well based, I think that the police and magistrates, backed by public opinion, would soon deal effectively with any undue recklessness on the road.

I have known where actions for damages have been stopped because the person whose negligence caused a collision was not insured, and consequently there was no use in seeking redress. On the other hand, I have known men who have been compelled to sell their cars when a verdict has been given against them. Cases of this character should be impossible.

"Chancing One's Arm."

The absence of an insurance policy is due in some cases to a miscalculation of the owner-driver's initial expenses. The unwary are apt to overlook some of the items of expenditure which face them at the beginning of their careers as motorists. Take the man of moderate means who decides that the time has come when he ought to buy a light four-seater to take his wife and family for trips during the summer months. He estimates that the car will cost him, say, £400 ready for the road, and that he can just afford to pay that sum without making undue demands upon his banker. But then when the car has been purchased he finds that there are incidental expenses, including £12 for an all-in insurance policy, which swells the total to £430 or £440. He is tempted to put off taking out an insurance policy for the time being, just till the end of the month—and the damage is done. After that, having escaped for a while, he is inclined to "chance his arm" a bit further.

The practice of buying cars by instalments is increasing. In these cases the vendors, very properly, insist upon insurance as a condition of the sale. The young motorist need have no fear of entering into a transaction of this kind so long as he is dealing with a reputable firm.

Hire Purchase.

The "hire purchase" system, however, presents legal difficulties, which are well illustrated by a case that was tried by an English magistrate last week. A firm was prosecuted by the police for having failed to insert the name and address of the transferee in the registration book and forward the book to the registration authority. For the defence it was contended that if the registration had been handed over the firm would have given up the ownership of the car, and that the man who purchased it on the hire system would have been entitled to sell it, no matter how small his first deposit had been. Agents should beware of this point.

Another cold snap—according to the weather prophets—is coming, and I suppose it will bring the usual crop of complaints about the difficulty of starting.

A cheap and thoroughly effective plan for ensuring an easy start on a frosty morning is to buy an ounce of ether, mix it well with an equal part of petrol, and inject a few drops of the mixture through each compression tap by means of a small oil-can. When the cylinders have been primed in this way it will be found that the most stubborn engine will start with the first touch of the switch. This plan will lengthen the life of the battery.

Expecting Too Much.

It is not fair to expect a starter to tug round an engine that is thoroughly "gummed" up. Many motorists think that their starters are capable of anything and that they are foolproof. They curse the makers when it goes on "strike" after some gruelling last. Like everything else, it requires reasonable treatment in order to be efficient.

Electrical equipment is improving slowly. The three points to be aimed at, I think, are: (1) It should commence to generate at 7-8 m.p.h., in order to keep the battery fully charged when the car is used for town work; (2) it should automatically reduce the output of the dynamo to a minimum when the battery is fully charged; (3) the dynamo voltage should be capable of rising above the maximum charging voltage in order to break down any sulphate that may be formed by reason of the battery being left standing for a considerable period.

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WOMAN AND HER HOME.

THE HOUSE IN THE COPSE.

"SI on s'excuse, on s'accuse" we all know, also on the multitudinous list of the things we should not do is to look in at the windows of another man's castle.

Mindful of the first dictum, we frankly confess we did not forget; we yielded to temptation. All the way of the drab grey fields, sulky and sullen by reason of the dull light that enveloped them, the harsh cold of the February afternoon had chilled our very souls.

There had been something uncannily desolate—disconsolate—in each step of the way; even the spaniels sought the strongholds of the rabbits and water rats with less of their customary zeal.

And it was there that, crossing a tiny fir-belted coppice, temptation assailed us. Nestled away snug and warm, and altogether entrancing to the sight, stood a veritable little "sunset house of hearts," grey walled, thatched roofed, diamond-paned.

In a month or so, from where we stood, sunlight might quiver into joyous youth the surrounding copse, birds might carol in the lilac-scented air; to-day just the reflection from a glowing fire within one room, that threw a scarf of tawny hue around the dark firs, the snapping of a twig, the dogs' sniffle, snuffle in the ditch behind.

Long and dark would be our backward trudge. For a moment we would warm ourselves by a glimpse of the snuggery that showed so homelike in the bright firelight. It was no ordinary room (please remember the temptation was threefold); no quite ordinary person had placed deep blue delph (royal blue) on a black oak dresser, or left the snuff coloured walls bare, save for three or four fine steel engravings.

Vivid coloured cushions for the old oak settle, and a low round bowl of snowdrops, on a low round polished table, whispered together—as still things will—we belong to a woman, we are part of a woman, the happy thought of a woman.

The paper folded neatly for reading—just the paper we expected she would read—a fastidious-minded woman who appreciated fine-cut words, polished phrases, an open book, light poesy. Yvonne and Normandy-Dowson's wanderings in Apple Orchard land! Who but a woman would dream she heard "a blackbird in the May" on a chill February day?

The turning of a handle. Half afraid—twigs remonstrate with no bated breath—a sheen of grey. Almost we fancy—violets. Wonder? Paris, or the low glass garden frame? . . .

The drawing of a blind. Darkness and no other sound save the sniffle snuffle of the spaniels in the ditch behind.

D. H.

A MIMOSA WEDDING BREAKFAST.

THE prettiest things in all the spring landscape are primroses and violets—together. Pale golden yellow and soft mauve are in divine accord. So when my cousin, who was going to be married in a fortnight, came to me inquiring the price of carnations I cut her short very quickly.

"Carnations nothing!" I said succinctly. You're going to have a mimosa wedding, my dear, and you'll simply love it. If you insist on the expense of carnations, the people can feast their eyes only, for you'll have no wedding breakfast, that's all.

So a mimosa wedding it was.

To begin with, we cleared all unnecessary furniture out of the room. People never seem to sit down at a reception—no reason why they shouldn't, but they just don't. Anyway, there were plenty of chairs about, but a good clear space was left in the centre of the drawing-room, with the presents piled on a table in the centre of the room.

Great vases of mimosa (we had to hire some, not having enough in the house) stood at either end of the mantelpiece, and there was one enormous one in the centre of the wedding-present table. Besides this we had four hanging baskets of mimosa, feathery green trails, parma violets, and mauve hyacinths.

In the hall, at the foot of the stairs, we had another huge basket covered with mimosa and hyacinths, and finished with a big bow and trailing ends of parma violet satin ribbon. This was tipped slightly forward towards the entrance, and was filled with tiny packets of cake in yellow crinkled paper, tied with mauve baby ribbon, for guests to take away as a memento.

But in the refreshment room we had spread ourselves over rainbow-hued eatables. Not content with massing every corner with moss and mimosa, and placing big shallow brass bowls (also hired) of violets all along the buffet table, we had created a scheme of yellow, mauve, and white "eats" that was really rather attractive.

There was white wedding cake, sandwiches, meringues and cream-topped trifle, yellow iced walnut cake, apricots, pale mauve iced cakes, and plates of candied orange slices and crystallised violets.

And across the table (of polished oak without a tablecloth, but with round white linen doyleys) were lattice-works of yellow satin ribbon about an inch wide, caught by posies of violets and dangling over the edge. It really looked very sweet.

Daffodils and blue hyacinths, of course, could do the work of violets and mimosa—but mimosa is so soft that one can handle it in fifty different ways.

M. Q.

THE FIRST LOOKING-GLASS.

ONCE upon a time, and a very long time ago it was, in a lonely part of Ireland, a peasant was walking along the boreen that led to his own little cottage. He saw something shining and glittering in the sun among the stones; he picked it up and looked at it, looked again, and yet again in amazement.

"God," he said aloud, "'tis a picture of my father," and he walked on, but every few yards he went he stopped to gaze with pleasure into it.

Now Brigid, his wife, was watching him from the door and wondered what he kept staring at in his hand, and when he was at his dinner he drew it out of his pocket and Brigid snatched it from him, and saw a red-haired woman in it and was very vexed. They quarrelled over it, Michael declaring it was the picture of his father and Brigid denouncing him for carrying about the picture of a red-haired woman.

To settle the difficulty they decided to take it to the priest. He looked into the glass and said: "Michael, it is not the picture of your father, for I knew him well; neither, Brigid, is it the picture of a red-haired woman, but it is the picture of a holy man"; and he took it reverently and hung it in the chapel.

R. L. P.

SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT GLOVES.

IT seems probable that gloves are to be popular this spring—fashion has decreed that we are to keep our hands covered, and to many of us the word of fashion is law.

However, we may congratulate ourselves that gloves of the present day are not so cumbersome as those which were worn in the early reigns of our kings. It was the usual custom then to have various ornamentations attached to the gloves; most of them were richly embroidered in gold, and those appropriated to royalty had jewels on the back of the hand. It is told of Cœur de Lion that he owed his captivity to the carelessness of his page, who entered the market-place with his master's gloves hanging to his girdle. The jewelled glove betrayed the royal station of the pilgrim, and the Duke of Austria exclaimed: "It is none other than Richard."

Gloves seem to have played an important part in the lives of royalty, for we are told in history how Edward Earl of Oxford presented a beautiful pair of perfumed and embroidered gloves to Queen Elizabeth, and she was so pleased with them that she sat for her portrait with them on her hands. Again, we hear of the same Queen dropping her glove when the Earl of Cumberland stood before her, and on his picking it up to restore it to her she graciously desired him to keep it. He caused the trophy to be encircled with diamonds, and ever after on all State occasions wore it conspicuously placed in front of his high-crowned hat.

A Curious Custom.

In the reign of Queen Anne gloves were considered a necessary part of female dress; they were richly worked and embroidered and were very expensive.

A curious custom in olden times was the throwing down of the glove or gauntlet to the ground by the knights of armour to anyone who had offended them, as a sign that they were to fight till one was slain or considered himself vanquished.

At the present time the majority of people please themselves as to the wearing of gloves; but, with the weather as it is now, most of us are glad to keep our hands protected from the nipping air as much as possible by the use of gloves; yet when summer comes—as we know it will—there are many of us who will discard any sort of glove and leave our hands untrammelled, though Dame Fashion decree otherwise.

F. E. D.

THE COOK.

CINNAMON CAKES.

Ingredients.—*Half pound flour, three ounces butter, six ounces sifted sugar, two eggs, three-quarter teacup milk, half teaspoonful cinnamon, nutmeg and cloves, pinch salt, one teaspoonful baking powder.*

Method.—*Beat butter and sugar to a cream, add spices, flour, baking powder, beaten eggs and milk. Pour into three well-greased tins. Bake half an hour in a moderate oven. When cold, ice top with water icing.*

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CELERY SOUP.

Ingredients. — *Two heads celery, one ounce butter, two quarts boiling stock, half pint milk, one gill cream, two ounces flour, salt and pepper.*

Method.—*Wash and cut up the celery, and saute with the seasoning and butter about twenty minutes. Add stock, and simmer gently till celery is tender. Rub through a hair sieve and return to the pan. Add blended flour and more seasoning, if necessary, and boil well. Then add the milk and cream, and serve with crouters of bread.*

ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR INCURABLES.

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Royal Hospital for Incurables was held at the hospital last Saturday morning, 16th inst., Sir Walter H. Wilson Fetrin, Esq., Chairman, presiding.

One hundred and fifty-nine Governors were present at this meeting.

The proceedings of the last meeting of the Board were read, confirmed, and signed. Applications for non-attendance were received from several Governors unable to be present.

Lady Boyd, Mrs. P. J. Brady, Henry J. Monahan, Esq., D.L., and W. Houghton Fry, Esq., having kindly consented to act, were appointed Visiting Governors for the month.

Payments gratefully acknowledged, and eleven new Life Governors of the hospital were unanimously elected as such, viz.:—Miss Grace F. Carolin, £21; Patrick Kelly, Esq. (per F. B. Ridgeway), £21; William Robinson Burgess, Esq., J.P. (per Wm. M. Hatte, Esq., F.S.I.), £21; Messrs. McLaughlin and Harvey, Ltd. (per J. Hall Cooper, Esq.), qualifying as a Life Governor; Miss Gladys McLaughlin, £25; Robert H. Carlyle, Esq. (per J. Hall Cooper, Esq.), £21; Andrew A. Devine, Esq. (per Rev. Aloysius Corbett, O.D.C.), £21; Mrs. Hugh Kennedy (per Miss O'Brien), £21; Messrs. James O'Keeffe and Co. Ltd. (per Hall Cooper), qualifying as Life Governor William R. Wilis, Esq., Managing Director, £21; Miss Eleanor Georgina Symes (per George H. Symes, Esq., £21); Miss Mary FitzGibbon, £21; Rev. W. J. Mayne, M.A. (per F. R. Ridgeway, Esq.), qualifying as Life Governor; the wife, Mrs. W. J. Mayne, £21.

The Chairman made the gratifying announcement that as the result of personal effort, Mr. Joseph Dixon, of Dixon's Biscuit Factory, had collected from his personal friends for the hospital the sum of £96 14/-, and a cordial vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Cooper for his kindness in bringing the claims of the charity before his friends, which has resulted in much needed financial support towards reducing the heavy bank debt.

The Chairman made special reference to the hospital's overdraft at the bank, which is £10,000, and he appealed for contributions to assist in reducing this growing liability. Life Governors are qualified as such by a payment of £21. They are entitled to visit the hospital at all times consistent with its due order, to recommend candidates for admission, and vote for their election, and to vote for the election of the Managing Committee and the Visiting Medical Officers.

The election of patients was then proceeded with. Seven names appeared on the printed list, and three candidates were in attendance, three of the applicants having been medically certified as unable to be present. The following, having obtained the highest number of votes were declared elected as patients, for immediate admission to the hospital, and one to remain out on a weekly allowance from the funds pending a vacancy in the general in the male cancer ward, which is now occupied to its fullest capacity (16 beds):—

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FATHER TESTIFIES AGAINST SON.

ALLEGED MURDER AT KERRY FARMHOUSE.

At the Dublin Commission yesterday, before Mr. Justice Pim, John O'Neill and James O'Sullivan, of County Kerry, were indicted for the wilful murder of Michael O'Neill on June 19th, 1922. They pleaded not guilty.

Mr. Carrigan, K.C., Mr. Dudley White, K.C., and Mr. J. O'Byrne (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor), prosecuted; Mr. McElligott, K.C., and Mr. Cullinan (instructed by Mr. O'Connell, Tralee), defended.

Mr. Carrigan, opening the case for the prosecution, said that the circumstances of the crime were most terrible, inasmuch as amongst the witnesses for the prosecution was the father of one of the prisoners and the dead voice of the same prisoner's mother, who made a deposition in the case, but who had since died. The prisoners were brothers-in-law, and the dead man was a brother of O'Neill and the brother-in-law of O'Sullivan. Owing to the state of the country since the commission of the crime the evidence given before the magistrate could not now be tendered in the same complete form, as a sister of John O'Neill, a Mrs. Moore, who was then home on a visit from America, and who was present at the crime, had since returned to America.

The prisoner, O'Sullivan, shot Michael O'Neill, counsel continued, and he did so while acting in concert with the prisoner, O'Neill, and a number of unidentified men.

O'Neill's parents had a farm of 10 or 12 acres, near Killorglin, Co. Kerry, and the prisoner, who was the only boy at home, and who naturally expected to succeed to the farm, got married secretly to Deborah O'Sullivan, a sister of the prisoner, O'Sullivan. O'Neill's parents did not approve of the marriage, subsequent to which a great deal of friction took place between the prisoner and his father.

In May, 1922, proceeded Mr. Carrigan, the house was attacked by a gang of masked and armed men. Michael O'Neill, who returned from Australia after his brother's marriage, was in the house with his parents and sister at the time. He was taken out by two armed men, placed against a fence and badly beaten, while the father was taken out by two others and ordered with threats to give up possession of his farm to his son John. On this occasion the old man recognised both the prisoners as being members of the gang.

SHOOTING OF MICHAEL.

On the date of the murder there was another attack on the house. Michael, who was resisting the attackers, was shot in the ankle by O'Sullivan, and of this wound he died. Amongst the armed and masked attackers on this occasion was James O'Neill.

Edward O'Neill, father of the deceased and of the prisoner, John O'Neill, in his evidence, said that when offered the farm John refused it on the ground that it was too small for him. John, against the witness's wishes, married Deborah O'Sullivan, a girl without a dowry, after refusing an offer of a girl with £250. The witness told John that if he married Deborah O'Sullivan he would not give him a sod of land, and after the marriage he put him out of the house.. After that there was considerable friction between them.

On the day of the murder, the witness proceeded, he saw John amongst the men who attacked the house, and he said to him—"I know you, John. It is not worth your while to leave anything after you. It is all broken; finish it off." Witness and his son Michael were inside the house and shots were ringing out. Michael was shot in the ankle and died seven days afterwards in the infirmary from tetanus. O'Sullivan fired that shot.

The deposition of Bridget O'Neill, deceased, mother of the prisoner O'Neill, which was read, stated that the deponent and O'Sullivan, with a gun in his hand, was trying to force his way into the house. Her daughter was keeping him out with a four-pronged fork. O'Sullivan threatened to burn down the house.

The deponent did not see her son John present at the attack on the house on June 19.

THE DEFENCE.

For the defence, Mr. McElligott said that from the evidence presented by the prosecution it was clear that the father of the prisoner O'Neill regarded his son with hatred, simply because he married a girl who had no money. His anger warped his mind, so that he was unable to behave decently towards the young people. Counsel would submit evidence to prove a complete *alibi* in the case of O'Sullivan, and if such a mistake as to identification could be made in his case, the evidence as to John O'Neill being a party to the murder could not be relied upon at all.

Timothy Hartnett, a farmer, deposed that O'Sullivan was at a "wake" on the night of the 19th June, 1922, when Michael O'Neill was shot.

The hearing of the case will be resumed this morning.

ROYAL AIR FORCE.

"WAKEFIELD" SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS.

It is announced by the British Air Ministry that the Wakefield Scholarships, awarded to cadets entering the R.A.F. College in January, 1924, have been gained by Mr. A. W. B. Hale, who passed into the College as a result of the competitive examination held in November last, and Mr. H. D. Spreckley. The latter was selected from amongst the aircraft apprentices who were chosen to proceed to the Cadet College after completing, in December last, their three years' course at the R.A.F. Training Schools for aircraft apprentices.

It will be remembered that, in 1920, Sir Charles Wakefield, Bart., C.B.E., generously offered to provide two scholarships per annum, each of the annual value of £75, and tenable for two years, with a view to giving financial assistance for entry into the R.A.F. Cadet College to successful candidates whose parents are in reduced circumstances. Sir Charles has now extended the period of his offer for a further three years under revised conditions.

Under the new conditions four scholarships, each of £75, but tenable for one year only, are offered per annum, two for each half yearly entry. One of these is given for competition at the open competitive examination held in June and November for admission to the R.A.F. Cadet College, and one is given to the top boy of the aircraft apprentices, who are specially selected for cadetships twice a year at the end of their three years' training as aircraft apprentices. The first scholarships under the revised terms have been awarded as above.

THE LORE OF EGYPT.

A lecture, entitled "Pyramids, Obeliskes and Sun-Worship," will be given by Mr. L. F. Steele, M.A., M.R.I.A., in the Graduates' Memorial Buildings, Trinity College, Dublin, on Thursday at 4.30 p.m. Mr. Steele is a well-known authority on Egyptology, and the lecture, dealing with a subject which has aroused so much public attention recently, should prove very interesting. It will be illustrated by lantern slides.

The lecture is being given in aid of the Dublin University Women Students' Bursary Fund, which provides annuities for gentlewomen who, through old age or ill-health, are unable to provide for themselves, and but for this help would be virtually destitute.

An agreement has been reached whereby German Transatlantic liners will resume callings at French ports. Certain French liners will call at German ports.

STOMACH SUFFERERS SHOULD EAT SLOWLY.

Hurried meals are a fruitful cause of digestive pain, and stomach sufferers are advised to eat more slowly. But there are many people who take a reasonable time to eat their meals, yet suffer stomach pain just the same. Their need is Bisurated Magnesia—a pure, harmless remedy that instantly neutralises the pain-causing stomach acid. With the acid gone, normal, healthy digestion takes place and you feel splendidly, immensely better day by day. Eminent doctors prescribe and recommend Bisurated Magnesia, hospitals use it, and chemists everywhere sell it at 1s. 3d. a package, either powder or tablet form. *Try it once and see the instant relief you get—there's nothing else one half so good!*

DUBLIN THEATRES.

GOOD MUSIC HALL ENTERTAINMENTS.

The very large audiences that filled the Theatre Royal at both "houses" last night were presented with a thoroughly enjoyable programme. "Going Some" is a musical extravaganza "entirely different," in which there is a constant variety of singing, dancing, and jazz music, as well as comedy "turns." "Going Some" differs from most performances of its kind, in that a really high standard is maintained throughout, it is clean, and there is not a dull moment. There are three scenes. In the first, "Somewhere in Kentucky," the Kentucky Quartette, consisting of Messrs. Gruden, Downes, Harvey, and Paul contribute some excellent items; while in the second Eddie Emerson and Lewis Hardcastle were most amusing in their act, entitled "Selling a Banjo." The latter's efforts to give a trombone solo were highly entertaining, as was also his "speech" in the last scene. The choruses and dancing by Lee Jerome and the Peaches were excellent, and the dresses, of which there were a great variety, were very tasteful. Solos were given by Lillie Humphrey, Farley, B. Graden, and others.

ABBEY THEATRE.

"The Courting of Mary Doyle," a three-act comedy, and "First Aid," a one-act play, were performed last night at the Abbey Theatre. In the comedy, *Is Mary*, a buxom dame, whose ambition was to marry a butcher so as to have the "pick of the surloins," Maureen Delaney kept the fun going in no uncertain manner; and she does not lack the moral support of her very willing, but deceived, victim (Peter Nolan), or his unsuccessful, yet fortunate, rival (Michael J. Dolan). Mary Craig made a very irascible mistress and F. J. McCormick a sufficiently morose "bankrupt," while the parts of the foolish lovers were played well by Eileen Crowe and Tony Quinn. In "First Aid" the part of Shawn Egan was given to Arthur Shields.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

The Irish Players produced at the Queen's Theatre last night "The Down Express," a new farcical comedy by Mr. J. Bernard MacCarthy. When the company gets into its stride the comedy will make people laugh, for there is a good foundation of fun-making in the work. It suffers from slow action, but, on the whole, the play tells naturally, a laughable story, and tells it in some smart dialogue. With better acting it could be a real piece of pleasing characterisation. It all happens at Ballaceonen railway station, to which the eloping Patricia Maud, daughter of the gentleman farmer Tobin family, and Donal Oge O'Sullivan, the son of a wealthy horse-dealer, once stable boy, are supposed to have come on the start of their matrimonial journey. Mrs. Tobin and Peter O'Sullivan arrive to stop the pair, who escape the storm by hiding in the porter's room. The *deus ex machina* comes in a telephone message that the down express has been wrecked, and "they lived happy ever after."

The soul of the play as produced last night is J. A. O'Rourke, who as Thady, the station porter, carried out a fine comedy part naturally and consistently. At times Mr. Hutchinson, the stationmaster, was very good; at others he was not. Patricia Maud (Nora Kane) and her selected (Felix Hughes) were colourless and insipid, and neither Kathleen Drago as Mrs. Tobin nor Sidney J. Morgan as Donal's father convinced that such people could ever behave in such a way under such circumstances. Those characters cleverly portrayed would give the comedy a good deal of the action that it lacks. The cast was completed with Fred. Jeffs as a railway shareholder.

TIVOLI THEATRE.

Dan Brothers and Sherry, with "fingers, feet, and fiddle," provided a good musical entertainment in the Tivoli Theatre last night. One of the three artistes appearing in the "turn" is an accomplished whistler, another a nice violinist, and the third sings well. Jack Stocks, "The Woman Hater," is a comedy vocalist who makes his audience laugh by his songs. "The Marvellous Boys" gave a clever exhibition in the nature of though-reading, in which the comedy element is not lacking, and the ability of the female artist to identify, while blindfolded, any article exhibited, mystified the "house." Sydney Graham, boy baritone, has a mature baritone voice, which he used with good effect. The Justus Two, "The Merry Songsters at a Piano;" Bert Earle and Lady, in a vocal, instrumental, and acrobatic item, and Bonnetti, comic juggler, also contributed to the programme.

OLYMPIA THEATRE.

Of more than average merit is the revue, "Aerial Flashes," at the Olympia Theatre this week. The cast includes two Dublin artists in Martin and O'Brien, piano entertainers, who appear throughout the performance in a variety of parts, and also appeal to the audience by rendering some of their old successes. As a comedienne, Clairette Ruane occupies an outstanding position. All through the piece she causes hearty laughter, and winds up by showing that she possesses a deep soprano voice. Excellent comedy work was also performed by J. J. Mannin and Bobbie Graham. Olive Ward is a dainty vocalist, while Dolly Ward is a pleasing soubrette and dancer. Lily Bell's Eight Aerial Flashes are an expert group of speciality dancers. The scenery is attractive and the music tuneful, the choruses being especially good. One of the tit-bits in the series of sketches of things that are not likely to happen, Nothing could be more amusing than this.

It is announced in our advertising columns that the film of the Eucharistic Congress held in Genoa last year, and a film showing a pilgrimage to Lourdes will be shown in the Theatre Royal, Dublin, every afternoon of the week beginning next Monday and on the evenings on Sunday next and Wednesday, March 5.

THE BELGIAN FRANC.

PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

The Belgian Prime Minister, speaking in the Chamber of Representatives last week on the rumours that, in sympathy with the French franc the Belgian franc has been badly shaken, said that a certain moral atmosphere, much more than economic or financial reasons, had obviously to account for the depreciation of the Belgian franc, as witnessed recently. Nobody abroad doubted the splendid recuperative powers shown by Belgium since the armistice. Her factories were working to their full capacity; she had no unemployed; her commerce was flourishing, and the balance of her trade was improving. The financial position was by no means equally brilliant; but there was no cause for alarm.

At the end of the war Belgium was confronted with enormous burdens. The then optimistic outlook as to reparations encouraged borrowing until in 1921, it was realised that grave difficulties were ahead, and a policy of retrenchment, on the one hand, and of increased taxation, on the other, was adopted. Considerable progress had been made since then. During last January taxation brought in 275 millions, as against 94 in January, 1921. The deficit of the railways has been gradually decreasing, and will disappear in the course of 1924. The National Debt, which, between 1914 and 1921, had risen from 6 to 36 billions, only increased by three billions during the two following years, during which reconstruction was actively being completed.

As to the administration of national finances, M. Theunis says it is unreasonable to contend that it is driving the value of the franc where other monetary signs were driven, since from the time the six million marks were redeemed not a single paper-franc has been applied for to the National Bank. On the contrary, 564 millions, that is 10 per cent. of the capital lent by this institution, have been reimbursed. There, consequently, is no question of monetary inflation on the part of the State.

ARMED ROBBERS AT WORK.

Three armed men searched Mr. Gaviston, of 150 Leinster road, Dublin, outside his residence last night, and robbed him of £7.

The strike of all bank employés in Vienna, except managers and sub-managers, is still unsettled, and is causing great inconvenience.

YESTERDAY'S CASES IN THE COURTS.

THE CHARGE AGAINST CAPTAIN EUSTACE.

BAIL ALLOWED.

King's Bench Division—Before the Lord Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Dodd, and Mr. Justice Samuels.

The case of the KING v. FRANCIS R. EUSTACE was listed on a motion for bail.

Mr. H. D. Conner, K.C., who, with Mr. P. Lynch, K.C., and Mr. Joseph O'Connor (instructed by Messrs. Findlater and Co.), appeared for the applicant, said that this was an application by Captain Eustace to be admitted to bail. Captain Eustace was taken into custody on the 15th December last, and was brought before a Justice at Nenagh on the 18th December, charged with having goods in his possession knowing the same to have been stolen, and sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment in Limerick Jail. The conviction was quashed in the King's Bench Division, and he was discharged by order of the Court on the 6th February, having been in jail up to that time. Upon going out of the courtyard he was re-arrested and brought before Mr. Lupton, Divisional Magistrate, and charged with larceny in reference to the same goods, and with receiving, knowing them to have been stolen. Subsequently, a charge was added of conspiracy to steal the goods. He was admitted to bail by Mr. Lupton, and was put on bail until the informations were completed on the 16th February, and he was returned for trial to the next Assizes to be held for the Co. Tipperary at Nenagh. Captain Eustace applied for bail, which was opposed by the State authorities.

Counsel said that with regard to the likelihood of Captain Eustace absconding, he would read an affidavit which he had put in, and in which he stated:—

My parents are Irish; my father is Major-General Sir Francis John William Eustace, K.C.B. He was the eldest son of Alexander Talbot Eustace-Malyne, of Rochestown, Co. Dublin. My mother is the daughter of the late Field-Marshal Sir Donald Martin Stewart, Bart., G.C.B., G.C.S.I. I was educated at Wellington College. I then lived for four years as a pupil learning land agency with the family of Mr. A. Agnew Ralston, J.P., O.B.E., land agent to the Marquis of Linlithgow, at Philiphaugh, West Lothian, Scotland, until the outbreak of war in 1914. I at once joined the Lothian and Border Horse. I went to France in 1915, and was several times in action. My Colonel was Colonel Lord Binning, now deceased. I remained in the Army until the end of the war, and was demobilised in 1919. I remained in England until the month of September, 1920, when I came to Ireland to take care of my father's property. He is the owner of large estates here, the normal rental of which is about £4,000 a year, and I am the next tenant for life thereof. I took up my residence at Grenanstown House, Toomevara, Co. Tipperary. I provided myself with horses, and got together a pack of harriers. I became a member of the North Tipperary Club at Nenagh, and after my arrival have been on visiting terms with the local county society. At the time of my coming to Ireland in September, 1920, the agent for the property was Mr. George Frend. It was arranged that I was to take over the agency from him as from the 1st January, 1921, but he was shot dead in the month of November, 1920, and I assumed the agency. In the month of March, 1922, I lost fifteen head of cattle which were driven off the land and never recovered. In May, 1922, the gates and fences of Grenanstown were maliciously damaged and pulled up in connection with a land dispute.

Counsel, proceeding, said that he did not recollect any case in which substantial bail was opposed in a motion of that kind. Captain Eustace had been seven weeks in jail, and he should receive no less consideration than other parties from the Stage.

BAIL OPPOSED.

Mr. John O'Byrne (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) said that in view of the information in the possession of the prosecution, Captain Eustace would not stand his trial, and he opposed bail.

Mr. Lynch, K.C. in replying, said that there was no evidence on the depositions that Captain Eustace was a voluntary participant in the raid on the store on the night in question.

The Lord Chief Justice said that, having heard the facts of the case, the Court considered that this was a case in which the accused ought to be admitted to bail, himself in £1,000 and two sureties of £500 each.

DROGHEDA PROBATE ACTION.

SETTLEMENT IN COURT.

Before the Lord Chief Justice and a city special jury, the probate action of Lyons *v.* Fitzgerald was listed for hearing. The plaintiff, Bridget Lyons, of William street, Drogheda, claimed to be executrix of the last will, dated 28th July, 1923, of her father, Patrick Morgan, who died on the 9th November, 1923, and brought the action to prove the will in solemn form. The defendant, Patrick Morgan, Ballymakenny, Drogheda, pleaded that the will was not duly executed; that deceased was not of sound mind, memory and understanding when he executed the will; that it was obtained by undue influence of the plaintiff and her husband; and that the deceased did not know or approve the contents of the will.

Mr. Battersby, K.C., with whom was Mr. Newell, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Thomas Gerrard and Co.), for the plaintiff, announced that the action had been settled, and he had a consent that probate of the will should be granted in solemn form, the plaintiff undertaking to convey to the defendant the Home Farm at Carntown, Ballymakenny, Drogheda, and the household furniture therein, and defendant undertaking forthwith to hand over to the plaintiff all the stock, crops, horses implements and other assets of the deceased. The plaintiff would make no further claim against the defendant, and the defendant undertook to pay the plaintiff, within nine months, the sum of £150, his costs of the action and the price of certain of the assets sold by him.

Mr. Lardner, K.C., with whom was Mr. Shannon (instructed by Mr. Joseph M. Reilly), for the defendant, said that the plaintiff and the defendant were sister and brother, and had live with the testator. The testator went to live with the daughter, and left everything to her. He thought that Mr. Battersby had made them fairly. He agreed to the consent, and withdrew any suggestion of undue influence.

His lordship received the consent, and made a decree establishing the will.

DUBLIN COMPANY'S AFFAIRS.

LIQUIDATOR APPOINTED.

In the Chancery Division, before the Master of the Rolls, in the matter of James Scott and Co. (Dublin), Ltd., now in liquidation,

Mr. Poole (instructed by Messrs. D. and T. Fitzgerald) applied on behalf of Richard Martin and Co., Ltd., and other creditors, for an order appointing Mr. David Telford liquidator in place of Mr. Gabriel Brock, the existing liquidator, who had intimated his desire to retire on account of the incompatibility of his positions of receiver and liquidator owing to questions which had arisen and were likely to arise between the company and the unsecured creditors and Mr. George Birney, the guarantor to the Hibernian Bank. The order for the voluntary winding up of the company was made on the 27th December last, and the unsecured debts amounted to £4,513 17s. 10d.

The Master of the Rolls made an order appointing Mr. Telford liquidator, directing that he should give security for £4,000, and that Mr. Brock, whom he declared entitled to his costs, should bring in his account.

Mr. C. S. Campbell appeared for the company, and Mr. James Geoghegan for Mr. Brock.

REPAIR OF BELFAST HOUSES.

ORDER TO EXPEND £300.

In the Chancery Division, before the Master of the Rolls, in the case of Arthur Kelly, deceased—Margaret Healy and others *v.* John McManus and Thomas Bowe,

Mr. Costello (instructed by Messrs. Lynch and Deering) applied on behalf of the defendants, the executors and trustees of the deceased, for an order giving them leave to expend the sum of £334 upon the repairs and painting of a large amount of house property in Belfast, situated in Cullingtree road, Cape street, Raglan street, Rose street, Balaclava street, Scotch street, New Lodge road, Ludlow street, Hardinge street and Union street.

The Master of the Rolls asked if he had jurisdiction to make an order for the painting and repair of houses in Belfast.

Mr. Costello explained that he had, stating that this was a very old suit which had been going on since 1897, and that the Act of 1920 dealing with the transfer of actions and rights had been repealed so far as the Free State was concerned. There were nine plaintiffs in the action, and provision had been made in the deceased's will for the distribution amongst them of the income arising from the house property, which was very considerable.

The Master of the Rolls granted the application and made the order sought.

QUEEN'S CO. PRISONER.

BAIL REFUSED.

Before the Lord Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Dodd, and Mr. Justice Samuels.

In the matter of an application on behalf of Gerald Hurley, now in Mountjoy Prison,

Mr. Kingsmill Moore (instructed by Mr. Patrick J. Byrne, Carlow) said that this was an application to admit Gerald Hurley to bail. Hurley was arrested on the 5th January last, and on the 14th January, at Maryborough District Court, was charged before Mr. Justice Meagher with interfering with, or preventing without lawful authority, the lawful occupation, use or enjoyment of the farm at Ballyadams, Queen's County, the property of the Rev. John Butler. The Justice adjourned the case until the 29th January. There were also two other charges then pending against the accused—namely, (1) attempted murder of Walter Butler and his wife, and (2) having possession, without lawful authority, of firearms from which shot or bullet could be discharged. At the District Court held at Maryborough on the 28th January, the Justice gave judgment on the charge in which he had taken evidence at the previous Court, binding the defendant to keep the peace, with two sureties. The necessary bail bond was then given. At the same Court depositions were taken on the two other charges, and the accused was returned in custody to the Quarter Sessions. Counsel asked that, pending the trial, the accused should be admitted to bail. He was prepared to offer solvent and substantial bail.

Mr. John O'Byrne (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) opposed the granting of bail to the accused, the charge being a serious one.

The Court refused the application.

MONAGHAN FARMER'S WILL.

ACTION SETTLED.

A settlement was announced in the probate suit of Gartlan *v.* Byrne and others, which was listed for hearing before Mr. Justice Dodd and a city common jury.

The plaintiff was Peter Gartlan, of Cloughvalley Lower, Carrickmacross, Co. Monaghan, labourer, and the defendants were Thomas F. Byrne, a retired inspector of the Dublin Metropolitan Police, Cloughvalley Lower, Carrickmacross; Patrick Rafferty, of Creevy, Oliver, Co. Monaghan, farmer; and Frank A. Orr, of Castleblayney, solicitor's assistant.

The plaintiff claimed to be the only surviving brother and one of the next-of-kin of Patrick Gartlan, of Cloughvalley Lower, Co. Monaghan, farmer, who died on the 4th September, 1923, and sought a declaration that the deceased died intestate, and that the alleged will, dated 18th August, 1923, whereby the defendants were appointed executors, might be condemned, and that letters of administration of the personal estate of the deceased be granted to him. He contested the will on the usual statutory grounds, and alleged undue influence against Thomas F. Byrne and his wife, Alice Byrne. The defendants pleaded that the will was duly executed, denied undue influence, and counterclaimed to have the will and codicil dated 23rd August, 1923, admitted to probate in solemn form.

By his will the testator bequeathed ninety-four £20 shares in the London County Westminster and Parr's Bank to his nephews and nieces, Peter Rafferty, Peter McNaney, John McNaney, Owen McNaney, Joseph McNaney, Sister Mary Anne McNaney, Rose Duffy, and Alice Mullergen, in equal shares; and fifty-four £1 shares in the same bank to his nephew, Patrick Rafferty. He left his farm in Rafferty to his nephew, Patrick Rafferty, and his farm at Cloughvalley Lower to the defendants, Thomas F. Byrne and his wife, Alice Byrne, subject to the right of residence of his brother, Peter Gartlan, the plaintiff, and 5s. per week, or, in lieu thereof, a cash payment of £1 per week. He bequeathed £100 to the parish priest of Carrickmacross for the Catholic curate for Masses, and £20 to the parish priest of Annyolla for the building fund of his church. He left to his executors, Thomas F. Byrne and Patrick Rafferty, £50 each, and the residue of his property to Thomas F. Byrne and his wife, Alice Byrne.

Serjeant Hanna, K.C., who, with Mr. Vincent Rice (instructed by Messrs. Bailie and Co.), appeared for the defendants, Rafferty and Orr, said that the parties had come to a settlement, which provided that the will and codicil be admitted to probate; that the plaintiff be allowed £75 towards his costs out of the residue; that the charge of undue influence against Thomas F. Byrne and his wife be withdrawn in open court, and that the executors be allowed their costs as executors out of the residue. The estate was value for £3,600.

Mr. Lardner, K.C., with whom was Mr. Geoghegan (instructed by Mrs. A. A. Wella), on behalf of the plaintiff, withdrew the allegation of undue influence against Mr. and Mrs. Byrne.

Mr. Sullivan, K.C., with whom was Mr. Lavery (instructed by Messrs. Phelan and Co.), on behalf of Thomas F. Byrne, expressed himself satisfied, now that the plea of undue influence had been withdrawn.

Mr. Justice Dodd gave a decree admitting the will and codicil to probate.

WEXFORD AND KILKENNY LANDS.

FAMILY LITIGATION.

Before the Master of the Rolls, in the matter of the estate of James George Dooley, deceased—Annie Dooley, plaintiff, *v.* George Dooley, defendant,

Mr. Jellett, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. Colfer and Son), applied on behalf of the defendant for directions as to the future management or disposal of the farms and lands of Kerney's Bay, Hoodsgrove Ringville, Ballyvarrig, Rochestown, Tinnakelly Big, Kayle, Kilbraney, Clonsharragh, Tinnesaney, Rosetown, Rosebeg, Fahy, and the licensed premises at Rosbercon, forming part of the estate of the late James George Dooley. In an affidavit, the defendant, George Dooley, farmer and merchant, of Hoodsgrove, New Ross, Co. Wexford, stated that the estate of the deceased, his father, in addition to the stock and securities directed to be sold by order of the Court dated 28th January last, consisted of a business premises at Rosbercon and the several farms mentioned, portion of which were situated in the County Wexford and the remainder in the County Kilkenny, together with 225 head of unfinished cattle, working horses, and farming implements. He had spent almost his whole life on the home farm at Hoodsgrove. During his father's lifetime he assisted him in working and managing the farms. During the last few years of his life his father was unable to take any active part in the management, and he had the sole and entire control of the working of the farms, the accounts being kept by Miss Deacey, his father's book-keeper.

After his father's death in 1916 he continued to work and manage the farms in exactly the same manner as before his death, under the belief that he was beneficially entitled to them. Now, as he must regard himself as an administrator and not as a beneficial owner, he wished to obtain the directions of the Court. Owing to the number of farms and the large area involved, the disposal thereof might present difficulty, and the question arose as to the sale or letting of these lands.

Mr. Jellett explained that his client's father had made a will leaving this property to him, but, unfortunately, the two witnesses at the time of the execution of the will were both in the room at the same time, and the will was no use.

Mr. Overend, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. A. and L. Goodbody), who appeared for the plaintiff to oppose the application, said that she was entirely dissatisfied with the manner in which the defendant had managed the property. In an affidavit she said that if the application was granted the estate would almost entirely suffer a serious loss; and she was satisfied that, in the interests of all parties, the farms should be sold as soon as possible, and that, pending a sale, the stock should be disposed of and the lands let in grazing.

The Master of the Rolls made an order giving the defendant liberty to continue to manage the lands to the utmost advantage, as heretofore, directing that he should keep proper accounts.

SALE OF CAVAN PROPERTY.

In the Chancery Divisio n, on the application of Mr. John C. Callan, solicitor for the defendant, in the case of the Northern Banking Co., Ltd., *v.* Bridget and Kate Greene, and on the affidavit of Mr. Callan's assistant, Mr. Halpin, the Master of the Rolls made an order accepting the tender of Mr. Patrick Brady to purchase for £425 the defendant's dwellinghouse and out-offices, and three tenement houses adjoining those premises, in Kingscourt, Co. Cavan, held under a fee-farm grant of the 25th January, 1911, at a rent of £5 19s. 6d.

DEMANDS OF DUBLIN UNEMPLOYED.

WORK OR MAINTENANCE.

A meeting organised by the Trades Council to call attention to the plight of the unemployed took place last night in the Mansion House, Dublin. The attendance, which was very large, included women and girls.

Resolutions were passed, calling on the Government to provide work, and, failing this, demanding relief or maintenance from the Commissioners of the South Dublin Union.

Mr. McMullen, one of the speakers, declared that if men and women in Dublin were without work it was nobody's fault but their own. They were depending too much on the Government; on those who had no sympathy with them, and it was time now to wake up to the fact that they must not rely, even upon Jim Larkin and the Trades Council, but upon themselves. He had heard the unemployed boasting that they had voted two or three times for the Government candidates at recent elections. By voting against them now they would very soon bring Mr. Cosgrave, Mr. Blythe, and the others to their knees.

Mr. E. Tucker, President of the Trades Council, said that all the unemployed were in the same boat, and there should be no distinction between ex-Army men and civilians. There were 500 "men" signing up" at the Labour Exchange, who had got no money for weeks, and it was nearly time that public attention should be called to the scandal. What they really wanted, however, was work, and not charity.

Mr. John Lawlor, T.C., said that the unemployed should march to the South Dublin Union and demand relief. They could make the demonstration effective by giving their enemies no chance of branding their protest as illegal. The unemployed voted for the Government candidates at the last General Election, instead of supporting the Trades Council candidates, who belonged to the working classes. Perhaps they would learn their lesson now, and at the next election cast their votes against the men who let them down.

Mr. James Larkin said that thirty years ago in Liverpool he was engaged as an agitator for the unemployed, and there they succeeded in compelling the strongest Government of the time to provide not relief work, but local and national undertakings to provide employment. To-day they did not want charity. Their slogan cry should be work or maintenance. No Government was moral. Governments ruled by right, and the present Government was upheld by bayonets and the support of the British Empire. He spoke of the foolishness of the workers of Ireland in the past, and said that they had attached themselves to a group on either side. They took up guns and fired on each other. Many of their former comrades were dead, and the fratricidal strife had resulted in the present unemployment. The capitalist class looked on and jeered at them as fools, and they knew that they would be driven back to work, while many would be left to starve. He urged the creation of a central fund by the trades unions, who, he said, could as well subscribe for their own as send £1,000 for the miners in England. They could then go and demand a moiety from the Government to enable them to tide over the present. He stood for a people's—a worker's republic. In the present election for South Dublin he urged them to disregard the political ticket and vote against Mrs. O'Mara.

It was announced that a march of the unemployed would take place to-morrow at 2 o'clock from Beresford place to the South Dublin Union, and that an interview would be sought with President Cosgrave.

FOREIGN MAILS.

POSTING DAYS IN DUBLIN AND BELFAST.

Correspondence should be posted in time for the evening mails to London on the dates given below:—

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Australia: Via New York ..... Feb. 29
Belgian Congo (exc. Katanga): By Belgian packet ..... Mar. 17
Bermuda: Via New York ..... Feb. 29
Brazil (Rio, Santos): By Nelson ..... Feb. 25
British Honduras and Turk's Islands: Via New York ..... Feb. 29
Canada (exc. Mag. Port): Via New York ..... Feb. 29
Do. (Mag. Post only): Direct ..... Feb. 29
Canary Islands: By Union Castle ..... Feb. 28
Central America (exc. Panama and Costa Rica), Cuba and Mexico: Via N.Y. ..... Feb. 29
Ceylon: By P. and O. ..... Feb. 27
China (all parts): Via Siberia ..... Mar. 5
Do. (Hong Kong and S. China): Via Suez ..... Feb. 27
Do., do.: Via New York ..... Feb. 27
Do. Shanghai and N. China): Via N.Y. ..... Feb. 29
Do., do.: Via Suez ..... Mar. 5
Colombia (Pacific Coast), Chile*, Panama, Bolivia, and Peru (exc. Iquitos): Via New York ..... Feb. 29
Do. (exc. Pacific Coast): Direct ..... Feb. 28
Costa Rica: Direct ..... Mar. 1
Do.: Via New York ..... Feb. 29
Dutch East Indies: By P. and O. ..... Feb. 27
East Africa (Kenya, Uganda, and Zanzibar): By P. and O. ..... Feb. 27
Ecuador: Via New York ..... Feb. 29
Egypt, Cyprus, and Palestine: By Italian packet (Supp.) ..... Feb. 26
French Congo and Senegal: By E.D. ..... Feb. 28
Gambia: By E.D. ..... Feb. 28
Guiana (Br., Fr., and Du.): By French packet ..... Mar. 2
India, Aden, Irak, Persia and Seychelles: By P. and O. ..... Feb. 27
Irak (Baghdad) and Persia (as far as Bushire): By Air Mail ..... Mar. 5
Irak and Persian Gulf (by Overland Mail): Haifa, Baghdad* ..... Feb. 27
Jamaica: Via New York ..... Feb. 29
Do.: Direct ..... Mar. 5
Japan: Via New York ..... Feb. 29
Madeira: By Union Castle ..... Feb. 28
Mauritius: By Union Castle ..... Mar. 6
New Zealand: Via Panama ..... Feb. 26
South Africa, Nyasaland, etc.: By Union Castle ..... Feb. 28
Straits Settlements, Siam, French Indo-China, North Borneo, etc.: By P. and O. ..... Feb. 27
United States: By French packets ..... Feb. 29
Do.: By Canard ..... Mar. 5
Venezuela: Via New York ..... Feb. 29
West Indies (Trinidad, etc.): By French packet ..... Mar. 2
Do. (Barbados, etc.): By Harrison ..... Mar. 5

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INWARD.

The following mails were received in London yesterday:—Ceylon and Australia, by ss. Orvieto. Sierra Leone, Gold Coast, Nigeria, and Liberia, by ss. Zaria. South Africa and Madeira, by ss. Windsor Castle. India, Egypt, Ceylon, Straits Settlements, Malay States, North Borneo, Philippine Islands, Hong Kong, Borneo, and Siam, by ss. Macedonia. Jamaica, by ss. Camito. Trinidad and Guinnas, by ss. Peru.

Due to-day—Argentina and Brazil, by ss. Lutetia. Canada and Newfoundland, by ss. Andania.

To-morrow—Windward Islands and Trinidad, by ss. Smyrniote.

Thursday—Egypt, by Italian packet. Dutch East Indies and Malay States, by ss. Princes Juliana.

Friday—Bahamas, Bermuda, Bahamas, Jamaica, Mexico and Central America, Panama and West Coast of South America, and Leeward Islands, by ss. Albert Ballin.

Saturday—Australia, by ss. Robores Bay.

Monday—Air Mail from Irak (Baghdad) and Persia (as far as Bushire), Kenya, Uganda, and Tanganyika, by ss. Lougoor.

TULLAMORE COÖPERATIVE SOCIETY.

In an application made by Messrs. Matheson, Ormsby and Prentice, solicitors for the liquidator of the Tullamore Co-Operative Society, now in liquidation, to the Master of the Rolls made an order, giving the liquidator leave to realise the assets of the Society to the best advantage, and to take such steps as he might be advised with regard to selling the premises of the Society as a going concern.

SALE OF DUBLIN LANDS.

In the matter of the Provincial Bank, Ltd., plaintiffs, and John O'Hagan Ward, defendant, Mr. Phelps (instructed by Mr. John Tweedy), applied on behalf of the plaintiffs for an order approving an offer of the wife of the defendant to purchase the lands of Esker, South, County Dublin, containing 84 acres and 9 perches, at £1,900, the subject matter of a mortgage debt. An order had been made in 1922 for the sale of the lands. They had been advertised, and the result was that only one tender of £1,650 had been received. It had been made by the defendants wife, and not accepted. She now came forward with an offer of £1,900, and the plaintiffs thought that that offer should be accepted.

Master of the Rolls—How much is due to the Bank?

Mr. Phelps—Over £400.

Mr. John Moran, solicitor, who appeared for the defendant and Mrs. Ward, said that there was no other mortgage.

The Master of the Rolls made an order accepting the tender of £1,900.

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12/6 per bottle

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O FOGHLUDHA AND FOLEY.

RECORDER OF DUBLIN TOLD SOMETHING NEW.

There is no such name as Foley, the Recorder of Dublin was told yesterday, his informant being Mr. Micheal O Foghludha, who appeared before his lordship with regard to a claim for compensation under the Damage to Property Acts, 1923.

When the case of Michael Foley was called, Mr. James Cawley (instructed by Mr. O hUadhaigh) said that he appeared for Mr. Micheal O Foghludha, and was instructed to protest against the spelling of the name in the title as Foley. His client was a man who had been in prison on several occasions for refusing to give his name in any but the Irish form.

Mr. O Foghludha, the applicant, said that he carried on the business of typewriter and stationery supply at a place on the quays. The premises were entered by the military in January, 1923. He had supplied stationery to the first Dail.

Looking over the statement of claim, which was in Irish, the Recorder commented on several words being English words transliterated, and termed such words "manufactured Irish."

Mr. O Foghludha said that his solicitor was

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

GAIETY THEATRE.
THE O'MARA OPERA CO.
To-night CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA at 7.45—
Winifred Brady, Amba Reith, Lyon Mackie, Arthur Greenhalgh.
Followed by PAGLIACCI.
Florence Morden, Joseph O'Mara, Arthur Greenhalgh, Flinloff Moore. To-morrow—THE BOHEMIAN GIRL. Thur.—THE APOSTLE OF ST. OTMAR. Fri.—LA TRAVIATA. Sat. Mat.—SAMSON and DELILAH. Saturday Evening—MARITANA.

Next Week:—MR. CHARLES DORAN AND HIS SHAKESPEAREAN COMPANY. Monday—OTHELLO. Tuesday—THE MERCHANT OF VENICE. Wednesday (Ash Wednesday)—THEATRE CLOSED. Thursday Matinee—JULIUS CÆSAR. Thursday Evening—HAMLET.

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(LATE EMPIRE)
TWICE NIGHTLY ..... 6.45 and 9 o'c.
THE LATEST REVUE.
"AERIAL FLASHES."
A WIRELESS WHIRL IN SIX FLASHES.
Exceptional Cast, including
MARTIN and O'BRIEN, BOBBIE GRAHAM, CLAIRETTE RUANE, etc.
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A Play, in One Act, by GEORGE SHIELS.
THE COURTING OF MARY DOYLE.
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6.45 ..... TWICE NIGHTLY ..... 9.0.
THE IRISH PLAYERS
PRESENT
"THE DOWN EXPRESS,"
A NEW TWO-ACT COMEDY.
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Cast includes:—
KATHLEEN DRAGO, J. A. O'ROURKE,
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PRINCESS, RATHMINES.
"MOTHER ETERNAL,"
Starring VIVIAN MATRIN.
A Play Rivalling "MADAM X."

METROPOLE CINEMA.
SECOND WEEK
NORMA TALMADGE
IN
"WITHIN THE LAW."
Violin Solo, "Reverie" (Vieuxtemps), by Erwin Goldwater, at 4.15 p.m. daily.

METROPOLE BALLROOM.
TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY),
CINDERELLA DANCE, 8-11 P.M.
Evening Dress, 5/-
MR. E. J. HARRISON'S BAND,
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MR. ROY AUGUST and MISS MAUREEN O'NEILL (The Celebrated Speciality Dancers, London and Paris)
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TICKETS (Numbers strictly limited) 21/- Each.

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THE ABOVE WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE METROPOLE BALLROOM ON FRIDAY, FEB. 29th, 1924.
Tickets can be obtained on remittance from Hon. Secretaries—
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Veterinary College of Ireland, Ballsbridge. Telephone, Ballsbridge 65;
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TICKETS STRICTLY LIMITED.

TO-NIGHT, 8.0 O'CLOCK.
THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY,
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MR. JAMES SCOTT, M.A.
(National Lecturer, England),
Will Lecture on
"OUR WORK IN SLEEP."
Everybody Welcome.

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LAST DATE OF ENTRY,
At the Ordinary Fee,
MARCH 17th.
Entry Forms may be obtained from the Belfast Music Shops
Or from the Secretaries.

11th SOUTH DUBLIN BOY SCOUTS.
DANCE,
RATHMINES TOWN HALL,
TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY) NIGHT, 27th FEB.
DANCING, 7.30 till 1.
Double Ticket ..... 10/- Single 7/-
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Tickets obtainable at 22 Wesley road, Rathgar.

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LEAP YEAR NOVELTY DANCE.
FRIDAY NEXT, 29th FEBRUARY, 1924.
DANCING, 9 to 3.
Tickets, including Supper 12/6

PUBLIC NOTICES.

THE REST FOR THE DYING,
CAMDEN ROW.
ANNUAL MEETING
Will be held on
TO-DAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1924,
At 3.30 p.m., at
21 MOLESWORTH STREET.
His Grace the LORD ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN will preside.

LEGAL NOTICES.

COLONEL ROBERT STORY, Bingfield, Crossdoney, Cavan, Deceased.
All persons having claims against the estate of the above-named Deceased will please send particulars to the undersigned Solicitors, acting for the Executrix.
Dated the 22nd day of February, 1924.
ALLEN and HALPIN, Solicitors, Cavan.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
CHANCERY DIVISION—LAND JUDGES
LAND REGISTRY.
CENTRAL OFFICE, CHANCERY STREET, DUBLIN.
In the Matter of the
LOCAL REGISTRATION OF TITLE (IRELAND) ACT, 1891;
And of the Application of
KATHLEEN HAMILTON BRADLEY, Owner of Land.
Application No. 11434V.
The Plot of Ground, with the dwellinghouses and buildings known as Somerwood (formerly known as Warren College), Errigal, Dundrum, Egremont, Gnocalum, and Sherawayne, Sutton, in the County of Dublin, being part of the lands of Carrickmines, in the Barony of Coolock and County of Dublin.
This is to give Notice that after the expiration of one calendar month from the date of the publication of this notice the Registration of the Title of the above-named Kathleen Hamilton Bradley as full owner of a leasehold estate in the above-mentioned lands and hereditaments, held for the unexpired residue of a term of 200 years from the 1st of November, 1862, created by a lease made the 1st of November, 1862, from the Right Honourable Thomas Earl of Howth and the Right Honourable Wm. Ulick Tristram Earl of Howth to Patrick Bernard Whyte, in the said Act as may be proceeded with unless in the meantime an objection in writing, duly verified, is filed in the Central Office, where the Application and a map of the said plot of ground may be inspected.
Dated this 15th day of February, 1924.
M. BARRINGTON,
Chief Examiner of Titles.
MATHESON, ORMSBY and PRENTICE,
Solicitors, 16/17 Lower Sackville street, Dublin.

PATRICK BERNARD WHITE, late of Tangier, in the County of Roscommon, Medical Doctor, Deceased.
All persons having claims against the estate of the above-named Deceased, who died on the 17th day of February, 1924, are requested to send particulars of same to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executors.
C. E. CALLAN, Solicitor, Boyle.

PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL.
6.45 ..... TWICE NIGHTLY ..... 9.0.
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THEATRE ROYAL.
SUNDAY, MARCH 2nd, AT 8 P.M.
ASH WEDNESDAY, AT 8 P.M.,
AND MATINEES AT 3 p.m., COMMENCING MONDAY, MARCH 3rd.
THE JANION FILM RENTING COMPANY
Present
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BETTY BALFOUR,
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

CIVIL SERVICE.
ASSOCIATION OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.
THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ASSOCIATION
Will take place
THIS (TUESDAY) EVENING, 26th FEBRUARY, IN THE DOLPHIN HOTEL.
Chair will be taken at 7.30 p.m. by the Chairman of the Association.
Important matters will be discussed.

CORPORATION OF DUBLIN.
NOTICE BY ADVERTISEMENT PURSUANT TO THE BOROUGH FUNDS (IRELAND) ACT, 1888.
Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the provisions of the Borough Funds (Ireland) Act, 1888, at a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council of the City of Dublin, held on the 25th day of February, 1924, it was moved by Councillor John Farren and seconded by Alderman J. Hubbard Clark:—
"That in the judgment of this Council it is expedient for the Council to promote in the first available Session of the Oireachtas a Bill for the following purposes, that is to say—
"To amend and extend the powers of the Municipal Corporation of Dublin under the Electric Lighting Acts by authorising them (1) to utilise the water-power of the River Liffey and its tributaries for the generating of electricity; (2) to acquire compulsorily or by agreement such lands and buildings and such rights over lands and buildings, and to construct such dams, reservoirs, buildings, generating stations and other works, and to provide, work, and use such machinery, transmission lines, transformer stations, distributing stations, and other matters and things as may be necessary for the purpose; (3) supply electricity to other local authorities, companies, bodies, and persons in or adjoining the Counties of Dublin, Wicklow and Kildare, in addition to their present area of supply; (4) to borrow such moneys as shall be necessary for the purposes of their enlarged undertaking; and (5) generally to exercise such powers as shall be necessary for that purpose and defined in the Bill:
"That any expense incurred in pursuance of this resolution shall be payable out of the Borough Fund and Borough Rate, Improvement Fund and Improvement Rate, the Revenues of the Electric Lighting Undertaking of the Corporation, and other Funds and Rates of the Borough as this Council shall determine:
"That the Town Clerk and the Law Agent be, and they are hereby, authorised to direct the insertion of notices, to prepare a Bill for the above-stated purpose, and to take all necessary steps preliminary to the promotion of the aforesaid Bill, subject to such alterations, amendments, and additions as may be deemed expedient; and that the Town Clerk be empowered to affix the City Seal to any document or documents that may be necessary to such promotion."
The resolution was put and carried unanimously, there being fifty-one members present.
M. J. WALSH,
Assistant to the Town Clerk.
Town Clerk's Office, Exchange Buildings, Lord Edward street, Dublin.
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That this Council hereby resolves to oppose the following Bills, or any of the provisions of which in the present Session of the Oireachtas has been given, viz.:—
"The Dublin Electricity Supply Bill;
"The East Leinster Electricity Supply Bill;
"The Irish Hydro and Peat Electric Power Bill;
"That all the expenses incidental to the opposition to or approval of any or all of these measures be defrayed out of the Borough Fund and Borough Rate, Improvement Fund and Improvement Rate, the Revenues of the Electric Lighting Undertaking of the Corporation, and other Funds and Rates of the Borough, as the Council shall determine; and that the Town Clerk be, and he is hereby, authorised to affix the City Seal to any necessary document or documents for the purposes of such opposition or approval."
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The Irish Times.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 1924.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

President Cosgrave, who was the guest of the Dublin Rotary Club at luncheon yesterday, explained the Government's intentions in their new Housing Bill, and appealed to members of the Club and other business people to lend their assistance in making the scheme a success.—(Page 5.)

At the Dublin Commission yesterday the trial commenced of John O'Neill and James O'Sullivan, charged with the murder of Michael O'Neill at a farmhouse near Killorglin, County Kerry.—(Page 3.)

The interior fixtures and fittings of St. Thomas's Church, Ballinakill, near Waterford, were wantonly wrecked last Friday or Saturday night.—(Page 5.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Another serious outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease has been notified in Northamptonshire, and all the markets in the county have been closed. It is also notified that Heysham landing place is no longer open except for animals for slaughter.—(Page 5.)

During a debate on cattle disease in the House of Commons last night, Mr. Buxton, the Minister for Agriculture, said that after the recent outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease at Nottinghamshire it was suspected that the animals might have got it in Ireland. The result of inquiries showed that this was not so, and they could not attach suspicion any longer.—(Page 5.)

The dock strike has been settled.—(Page 5.)

ABROAD

A Bill which aims at the further restriction of alien immigration is at present before the United States Congress.—(Page 5.)

It is reported from Delhi that the Indian Nationalists are preparing to choose the delegation which will visit London and confer with the leaders of the Labour Government concerning immediate Dominion *status* if Lord Oliver's statement on India proves unsatisfactory.—(Page 5.)

Spain has withdrawn from the League of Nations, as it is unable to collaborate further in plans for the limitation of naval armaments.—(Page 5.)

SPORTING.

At Derby yesterday Phaco won the Derbyshire Handicap Steeplechase.—(Page 8.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets were firmer yesterday, but the close was rather quiet. French Loans improved.—(Page 9.)

Lombard street was well supplied with loanable funds, and rates fell to 2 per cent. Discount rates were also easier. The French franc improved sharply to 97.90.—(Page 9.)

In Dublin the Stock Market was firm, with a strong tone in British funds.—(Page 9.)

Hope For Houses.

The Irish housing problem, which was discussed by President Cosgrave at the Dublin Rotary Club yesterday, has been the most urgent question of our social life for many years. Under Dr. Addison's Housing Act of 1919 a good opportunity was offered to local authorities to overtake the shortage of houses, but at that time people's thoughts were running in purely political channels. When the Provisional Government came into power one of its first acts was to offer local authorities two pounds for every pound that they could raise for the purpose of building houses. It was a most generous offer—more generous, indeed, than it was financially sound from the taxpayers' point of view—but, although Dublin and some of the townships took advantage of it, seventy out of the ninety Free State local authorities ignored it altogether. Consequently the housing problem in the Free State is even more acute now than it was three years ago; and, as Mr. Cosgrave said, building costs and rates of interest have proved to be a powerful deterrent against new building. The present Government has introduced a Bill into *Dail Eireann* which will not solve the problem, but is calculated to make an excellent beginning. This Bill provides for a State grant of some £300,000, which, as the Government hopes, will bridge the gap between the present cost of house building and the rents that people are able to pay for new houses. If the plan succeeds, some 3,000 new houses will be built, and the State grant, which will be quite free, will work out at about £20 per room. Fifty thousand pounds will be allocated to reconstruction work on existing dwellings.

This housing scheme has all the elements of success, and it must not be allowed to fail. As President Cosgrave told the Rotary Club, it will demand the willing co-operation of the State, the municipalities, the architects, builders, workers and prospective tenants. "Official" building schemes have been a sorry failure in Ireland, and the Government is wise to insist that this time private enterprise shall have an absolutely free hand. Municipalities will not be encouraged to build houses except in districts where private contractors are not available. The difficulties in the way, of course, are very serious. Costs still are inordinately high; money can be borrowed only at heavy rates of interest, and tenants are unable to pay "economic" rents. Possibly the appeal which was made by President Cosgrave to the members of the Rotary Club and the other business men of Dublin will help to make matters easier in the city, at any rate. His suggestion is that, if a number of men should come forward now and pledge their credit for twelve months, five hundred new houses could be built in Dublin almost immediately, and at the end of twelve months the guarantors would not be the poorer by a halfpenny. Five hundred houses would call for a capital of about £200,000, and the President said that one member of the Free State Parliament already had promised to guarantee £2,000 towards the scheme. Apart altogether from the Government's Housing Bill, we think that this suggestion is admirable. If one hundred public-spirited business men could be found to guarantee £2,000 apiece for a year, a precedent would be established which, doubtless, would be followed eagerly throughout the Free State. Local loans are impracticable at present, but the credit of our business men is excellent. If they would rally to the call of the Government, we have little doubt that builders and workers alike would put their shoulders to the wheel, and that thousands of good houses would be forthcoming in a very short time.

Substance and Shadow.

It is time that Dublin should get to close quarters with the problem of accommodation for the visitors whom it expects during the coming summer. Few people have been captivated by the glowing vision that sees at least one hundred thousand foreigners hurrying from all quarters of the world to witness the Tailteann Games. The citizens have listened to Mr. J. J. Walsh, but—let us be frank about it—have not taken him very seriously. It is exceedingly improbable that one hundred thousand visitors, or even one-half of that number, will come to Dublin for the Games. It is quite certain that, if they should come, we could not accommodate them and that, after a hasty hunt for lodgings, most of them would go back to England in deep disgust. Therefore, Dublin has refused to be excited by brilliant notions of a city of tents in the Phœnix Park or a fleet of floating hotels on the Liffey. There is a danger, however, that, while we are laughing at fantasies, facts may take us unawares. We ought to realise that, almost beyond question, the Free State will have a large increase of tourist traffic during July, August and September. The British Empire Exhibition at Wembley will attract, perhaps, a million visitors from the Dominions and the United States. At least two international conferences will be held in London during the summer—the conference of the Bars of Britain, Canada and the United States, and the conference of the world's advertising experts. Some thousands, at any rate, of this vast congregation will wish to extend their holiday to Ireland—if only to see how the newest Dominion is prospering. In addition, we shall have the normal tourist traffic, for which the Horse Show and the renewed facilities for secure travel in our Southern and Western counties will be a big attraction. The Automobile Association anticipates an increased number of motoring visitors to Ireland during the coming months.

We may believe that the number of our visitors will be swelled by the glamour of the Tailteann Games; but it will be large in any case, and we ought to be prepared for them. From the economic point of view these Games will be a loss rather than an asset if they are allowed to distract our minds from the nature of the real task which confronts us. That task consists, not in the extemporisation of grandiose schemes of hospitality, but in the marshalling of our actual resources. Since even Mr. Walsh has not Aladdin's power to create palaces by the rubbing of a lamp, we ought to address ourselves without further delay to the sober duty of stretching our existing accommodation as far as it will go, and of furnishing, in the shape of cheapness and cleanliness, some compensation for its inevitable shortcomings. We ought to realise that this will be what Americans call a "pivotal" summer in the story of Irish tourist traffic. In the first place, the caravanserai of Southern Ireland, after a dismal period of closure, will be re-opened under entirely new management, and all the guests will be critics. Their experience will be either a very good, or a very bad, advertisement for the Free State. In the next place, the quality of many of our visitors in the coming summer will be out of the common. No doubt, we shall entertain, *via* Wembley, statesmen, financiers, captains of business and others who, if we win their good graces, will be able to advance the Free State's interests in their own parts of the world. Surely, then, the time has come for less talk and more action. Are all our surviving hotels ready to do their best for visitors? Has any census been taken of the number of private houses in Dublin which are willing to accommodate "paying guests?" Are Kilkarney and all the other show places swept and garnished? Are our roads being made ready for invading motor cars? Are our railways organising cheap and comfortable excursions? Is there at this moment any skilled and competent direction of the Free State's new bid for success in the tourist industry?

Irish Cattle.

The British Minister for Agriculture made an important statement yesterday in the House of Commons with reference to the recent ban on Irish store cattle. Some cattle, he explained, which had been landed at Bristol, developed foot-and-mouth disease in Nottinghamshire seven days after shipment from Ireland. The absence of disease at Bristol caused suspicion that they had become infected in their native fields. A thorough inquiry, however, proved that this fear was groundless, and the Minister was able to state that "his information was that they could not attach suspicion any longer." This official pronouncement ought to silence finally the unjust allegations that have been circulated about Irish cattle. Mr. McConnell, speaking on behalf of the Irish industry, mentioned another injustice which surely ought to be remedied. When cattle are exported from Ireland to England an examination is held before departure and after arrival, and they are detained during a certain period. After this delay, Mr. McConnell urged, the owners ought to be qualified to receive compensation on the same terms that are granted to English farmers whose animals are destroyed. Such a concession would be bare justice; and, if more cases occur like that at Farnfield, in Nottinghamshire, this Irish claim will become important. Although Irish farmers are anxious to send cattle to England, they cannot afford to run disproportionate risks of loss. It is essential, therefore, that they shall get satisfactory guarantees, especially as recent news from England gives rise to the fear that the situation there has taken another turn for the worse.

The End of War.

Sir Ian Hamilton and Mr. Winston Churchill, who spoke about the future of war at the London Press Club, have records that make their opinions worthy of notice. Sir Ian Hamilton is a brilliant writer. Mr. Churchill was the first responsible Minister in the late war to visualise the possibilities of tanks and smoke screens for protective purposes. His glimpses into the hidden future showed a wider imagination than those of Sir Ian Hamilton. While the veteran general still speaks of tanks and aeroplanes, Mr. Churchill predicts a time when even the mechanical army will be obsolete. He quoted a German theory that the next war would be fought with electricity and a French warning that disease would be the predominating weapon. Both speakers expressed a hope that war would perish through its own terrors—a sanguine view which has been held in all ages. Probably those who fled from Pyrrhus's elephants or were stunned by the first use of gunpowder thought that human nature could stand no more. There is no hope of ultimate peace in mere destruction. The true remedy Sir Ian Hamilton discarded with the dogmatic assertion, that "the habits of three thousand years were not to be axed in five minutes by a President of the United States or a new Government in England." This surely is a counsel of despair. "What has been will be," was a theory of mediæval philosophy. So long as war is regarded as inevitable it will remain inevitable. Its end will be achieved, not by new weapons, but by a new state of mind.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

Prince Henry, who is quite as keen a sportsman as his eldest brother, intends to ride next Thursday in the point-to-point steeplechases at Billington, where he and the Prince of Wales inspected some of their horses last Saturday. The entries include three of the Prince of Wales's hunters, but, of course, owing to his recent accident, His Royal Highness will not be in the saddle.

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The King of Italy has been laid up for the past week with influenza and is still confined to his room. His visit to Fiume in connection with the celebrations has been postponed from March 2nd to May 16th. The Crown Prince of Italy also has contracted influenza and is obliged to cancel all his immediate engagements. Hitherto the Queen and the Princesses have escaped the epidemic, which has been very general in Rome.

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The Marquis of Bath, who is in residence at Longleat, has been elected President of the Somerset Cricket Club, in which he has always taken a deep interest. The Marchioness of Carisbrooke has left Blankney Hall for her London residence. The Marquis of Carisbrooke will join her this week on his return from Madrid, where he has been visiting his brother-in-law and sister, the King and Queen of Spain.

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To-day the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava celebrates his forty-ninth birthday. He is the fourth and only surviving son of the first Marquis and brother of the second, whom he succeeded in 1918. His eldest brother, the Earl of Ava, was killed during the South African campaign, and another brother, Lord Basil Blackwood, was killed in action in 1917. The present peer was formerly in the 9th Lancers and later in the Grenadier Guards. By his marriage with the only daughter of Mr. Robert Woodhouse, of Orford House, Bishop's Stortford, he has one son, the Earl of Ava, born in 1909, and one daughter, Lady Veronica Temple-Blackwood.

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The ball organised by the Duchess of Portland in aid of a local charity took place in the famous underground ballroom at Welbeck Abbey and was most successful. Over five hundred people were present, and the Welbeck party included the Duke and Duchess of Portland, Lord and Lady Henry Bentinck, Lord and Lady Charles Bentinck, Captain and Lady Victoria Wemyss and Lord Mildmay.

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The Hon. Ernest and Mrs. Guinness and their daughters have arrived in London from Naples, having completed a tour round the world in their steam yacht Fantome II.

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Admiral Sir Percy Scott arrived on Sunday night at Plymouth from Malta, where he had spent some time in hospital suffering from asthma. He is still under medical care and required oxygen on the voyage. This was supplied at Gibraltar and again on his arrival at Plymouth. It is hoped that he will be able to travel to London to-day.

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Miss Slyne and Mrs. Kent have returned to 71 Grafton street from London and Paris.

Wireless—Exhibition to-day in Switzer's Grafton street windows of Marconiphone Receiving Sets and Accessories. Expert advice.

All the new Tailor Suits and Afternoon Gowns just arrived at Switzers from Paris have been marked at the same price as the cost of a copy.

Just Arrived—New Spring Hats, Lovely New Frocks, Inexpensive Gowns, Tailor-mades and Coat Frocks.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

Robert and Co., Ltd., are showing to-day a complete range of the latest styles in Costumes, Millinery, Blouses, Sports Wear, and Novelties. Inspection cordially invited.—Robert and Co., Ltd., Grafton street.

Mr. Mumford, having returned from the Markets, has now the Latest Models and Materials for Spring.—18 Suffolk st., Dublin.

Arrival of New Knitted Costumes and Jumper Suits.—Campbell and Strahan, Ltd., 11 Wicklow street.

Madame Renée cordially invites visitors to Dublin to inspect her recently purchased Paris Models of Hats and Gowns; also smart Knitted Suits. Prices most moderate.—Harry street (off Grafton street).

Mrs. Mercedès D'Alton's Salon, 3 Molesworth street—Now showing attractive Spring Millinery, Jumpers, and Cardigans. Latest models.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Departures—Mrs. O'Sullivan, Mrs. M. Slattery, Mrs. W. H. Brown, Thomas Bourke, Mrs. A. W. Spence, Ernest E. Spence, Sheila Tindal, Margaret Tindal, Mr. and Mrs. Otway Waller, W. K. Dunbar, Mr. F. E. Hassard, Mr. F. W. Peard, Mrs. S. Wynne Eyton, Mrs. R. M. Jefferys, Mrs. Leslie Churton.

Arrivals—M. Doyle, Dr. M. J. Nolan, J. O'C. Donnellan, W. Tighe, C. P. Gore, Navan Duffy, J. R. Tuke, Mrs. Bernard Rochford, Mr. J. D. Aron, Captain Allen.

McBirney and Co.'s Millinery Buyer has returned from Markets. They are exhibiting charming modes this week.

New arrival Spring Millinery. Very moderately priced. M. Cathcart, 26 Dawson st.

Sale of Ladies' Serge and Gabardine Coatfrocks, 4 gns.—Jane Mason, 27 Dawson st.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference. — *A ridge of high pressure over Scotland connects an anticyclone off the North-West of Ireland with one over Scandinavia. Winds will be mainly north-easterly, fresh at times in the South and light in the North, with bright periods in all districts, particularly in the North and West, but with a risk of snow or sleet showers in places.*

Ireland. — *Wind north-easterly, moderate; mainly bright; good visibility; cold, frost at night.*

South-West Seaboard, Mouth of Channel to South-West Ireland. — *Wind moderate to fresh, north-easterly; mainly fair; good visibility; sea moderate.*

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel; North-West Seaboard, Northern Ireland to Hebrides. — *Wind moderate to light, north-easterly; fair; good visibility; sea slight to moderate.*

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

BAROMETER.

Dublin—Monday (5 p.m.) 30.30

SUN.

To-day ... Rises .. 7.35 Sets 5.55
To-morrow .. .. .. 7.30 .. .. 5.57
Lighting-up Time 6.55

HIGH WATER.
DUBLIN.

To-day ... Morning 3.14 Afternoon 3.36
To-morrow .. .. 4.4 .. .. 4.33

If you want peace you must prepare for peace.—Mr. Leach.

IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

INDIAN MAIL MYSTERY.

THE VERSAILLES TREATY.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.
WESTMINSTER, Monday.

When the Speaker took the chair in the House of Commons this afternoon there were many empty spaces on the green benches, but long before the end of the question hour they were filled, for many points of interest were raised, and at times there was considerable excitement. Professor Richards, Under Secretary for India, had many questions to answer, and presumably they were of interest to some members, for he was constantly invited to "speak up," and finally a Liberal suggested that he should be provided with a "loud speaker."

Messrs. Hegge and Pringle acted as chorus in the old-fashioned manner to-day. Again and again they rose in turn to ask supplementary questions, much to the amusement of members.

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Free railway passes for members are in sight at last. The Prime Minister stated that he considered it an anomaly that some members should have to pay but a few pence to reach the House while others had to spend several pounds. This anomaly was to be removed if possible, and he would be glad if the question were repeated this day fortnight.

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Private notice questions were many, and far exceeded in interest those on the paper. Mr. Lloyd George called attention to the speech made by the Home Secretary on Friday, stating that the Government intended to revise the Treaty of Versailles. The Prime Minister, who spoke most carefully, replied that he had only seen a Press report of the speech, but he could assure the House that the policy of the Government was the one expressed by himself in the House. Later he admitted that the statement of Mr. Henderson did not represent a Cabinet decision.

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Reparation duties, the recent outbreak in India, and an announcement by the Prime Minister that the dock strike had been settled led up to a long discussion and an attempt to secure leave to move the adjournment on the part of Major Colfox. Mr. Ammon, the postmaster-General, was asked what had become of the mails for India. He entered upon a long explanation that the mails were being sent overseas, in the hope that they might catch the steamer by which they should have been forwarded. Asked where the mails now were, he was unable to say. The Opposition seized upon this as an urgent reason for their motion, but the Speaker refused to accept it. Attempts were made by several Conservatives to find out whether it was correct that the police offered their services to get the mails embarked, but that their services were refused on orders from London.

The Poplar debate takes place to-morrow, and the Prime Minister was asked if the whole day would be devoted to it. He wanted it to conclude at 8,15, but several Conservative members objected, on the ground of the importance of the subject. Mr. Macdonald thought that the importance had fallen away. The Opposition then asked the opinion of Mr. Asquith and Mr. Lloyd George, seated by each other, looking like two rubicund brothers cheerybie. Both looked quite innocent, and free from the guile that the Oppositon evidently suspected. The Liberals are about to run away from their motion. The debate to-morrow may, after all, prove a tame affair.

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After diseases of animals had been dealt with (as reported elsewhere) the House went into Committee on the Civil Service Estimates, when a number of matters of a purely departmental character were dealt with. Arising out of a vote submitted by the Postmaster-General to meet the expenditure on a Post Office tube railway from the General Post Office to Paddington, some curiosity was evinced as to the existence of a tunnel constructed many years ago, with the idea of running a compressed air service with. Nobody seemed to have more than a very hazy idea as to where this tunnel might now be found, and the Postmaster-General was advised to keep a good look-out for it. There were many critics of Post Office administration, and Mr. Hartshorn so far failed to satisfy them that he agreed to postpone the Vote to a future occasion, when he hoped to have more information at his disposal.

OBITUARY.

DR. JOHNSON SYMINGTON.

Dr. Johnson Symington, Emeritus Professor of Anatomy in Queen's University, Belfast, from 1883 to 1918, died in Edinburgh on Sunday. Born in 1851, he was educated at Taunton and under the late Sir William Turner at Edinburgh University, where he graduated M.D. Subsequently he became a Fellow of the Royal Colleges of Surgeons, England and Edinburgh. He devoted himself to anatomical research, and on the death of Professor Redfern was appointed to the Chair of Anatomy in Queen's College, Belfast. He was Registrar in the old Queen's College, a member of the Senate, a member of the Statutory Commission of Queen's University, and of the General Medical Council.

In 1903 Professor Symington became a Fellow of the Royal Society, and was President of the Anthropological section of the British Association. Thrice in succession he was President of the Anatomical Society of Great Britain and Ireland. His publications include "The Topographical Anatomy of the Child," an Atlas of Skiagrams of the Teeth (with Dr. Rankin), various papers on human and comparative anatomy. He was one of the editors of "Quain's Anatomy," and his latest work was an atlas showing the topographical anatomy of the neck, thorax, abdomen and pelvis.

LORD GEORGE FITZGERALD.

We regret to announce the death of Lord George FitzGerald, which took place at Rome on Saturday last, of pneumonia.

Lord George FitzGerald was a son of the fourth Duke of Leinster, and uncle of the present Duke. He was born in 1862, and was educated at Christ Church, Oxford, where he graduated B.A. in 1884. He spent some time in the Diplomatic Service, and was private secretary to the late Sir Henry Blake, Governor of Jamaica.

MR. LOUIS KELLY.

The death is announced, at his residence in a Liverpool suburb, of Mr. Louis Kelly, a well-known member of the Liverpool Bar. Forty-nine years of age, Mr. Kelly was a native of Ireland. After practising at the Bar in Dublin, he went to Liverpool about nine years ago, and built up a substantial practice, particularly on the civil side, although his services had been retained in several criminal trials of note. He was a member of the Liverpool Junior Reform Club, of which he was a past President. He had never completely recovered from a serious illness of which he was a victim about two years ago.

THE REV. A. A. CRAWFORD.

Much regret is felt at the death, on Sunday, after a tedious illness, of the Rev. A. A. Crawford, B.A., Methodist minister. Mr. Crawford entered the ministry in 1887, and was subsequently stationed at Youghal, Ballyjamesduff, Cloughjordan, Killeshandra, and Ballyshannon. Owing to continued ill-health he retired from active work some years ago, and resided in Belfast ever since.

MR. JAMES KENYON.

Mr. James Kenyon, ex-M.P. for Bury, died last night at the age of 78. He sat as Conservative member for Bury from 1895 to 1902. He was a woollen manufacturer, a Justice of the Peace, and Chairman of the Liverpool Storage Company.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Cavalleria Rusticana" and "Pagliacci" 7.45 p.m.
Theatre Royal—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre—"The Down Express," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"First Aid" and "The Courting of Mary Doyle," 8 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Aerial Flashes," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Tivoli Theatre—Varieties, 6.45 and 9 p.m.
La Scala Theatre

CATTLE DISEASE.

IRELAND'S FREEDOM FROM INFECTION.

BRITISH MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

THE QUESTION OF COMPENSATION.

When the House of Commons went into Committee on the Diseases of Animals Bill yesterday the suggestion by a Sussex member, that foot-and mouth disease might have been due to the faulty administration of the regulations governing the import of animals from Ireland, drew protests from Northern Ireland members, and, in his reply on the debate, Mr. Noel Buxton, the Minister of Agriculture, admitted that there were no indications that infected cattle came from Ireland.

SPREAD OF INFECTION.

NUMEROUS SUGGESTIONS.

On the motion that Clause 1 stand part of the Bill, Captain Fitzroy asked for information as to the present outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in Northampton. He said that the Northampton market, which had been closed for weeks, was opened again last Saturday week. A number of animals were sent to the market and sold, and since then there had been seventeen outbreaks in the country. Did the Ministry of Agriculture know if the animals contracted contamination in the market or if they were infected before they were sent to the market?

Mr. C. Lambert inquired if the Ministry suspected that the disease was brought into the country in hides from Jamaica.

Sir H. Cautley suggested that it was possible that the disease came from Ireland.

Mr. T. Moles (Northern Ireland) vigorously repudiated the suggestion. The animals, he said, were closely inspected both at the port of embarkation and at the port of arrival.

POSITION OF IRISH FARMERS.

Mr. McConnell drew attention to the unfortunate position of Irish farmers, who suffered the loss of their cattle without receiving compensation. Irish store cattle could not be got to this country unless the British Government gave help to the Irish farmer who sent them. Cattle leaving Ireland were subject to a very searching examination by the Ministry of Agriculture. He would compliment the right hon. gentleman on appointing able officers to carry out the work in Northern Ireland. These cattle were examined by these officers before they were shipped, and examined in this country and detained during a certain period. Surely, after such an examination, they should be treated as English cattle were treated, and their owners should not suffer their loss without compensation being paid.

If Irish cattle were wanted in this country the Irish farmers wanted to sell them. He would say that in Ireland the farmers endeavoured to keep the landing places clean and disinfected; but some of those on the West coast of Scotland required attention.

Viscount Wolmer urged that more compensation was due to dairy farmers whose animals had to be slaughtered.

Mr. Hope Simpson said that he thought there was a possibility of the disease being spread by the sacks that were hired for use in various farms.

Sir H. Barnston said that Northampton looked like suffering in the same way as Cheshire had.

Mr. Ormsby Gore asked if it was a fact that Canada had offered to provide dairy cattle for Cheshire, and that the offer had been turned down.

Mr. F. Martin said that he thought the danger of infection arose from the hides of animals that had been slaughtered within the infected areas being sent out of those areas.

IRELAND NO LONGER SUSPECTED.

Mr. Buxton, Minister for Agriculture, in the course of his statement, said that Irish cattle which came from Ireland to their arrival at Nottinghamshire developed foot-and-mouth disease seven days after leaving Ireland. This left the suspicion that they might have got it in Ireland, and the Irish trade was stopped while inquiries were made. The result of the inquiries showed that the animals were not infected in Ireland, and there was no disease in Bristol. His information was that they could not attach suspicion any longer.

He was assured that there was no danger of infection from dry Jamaica hides. It was a fact that the Canadian Government had expressed its readiness to supply cattle which a section of farmers in Cheshire were anxious to have, but there was a larger proportion who were very strongly opposed to the entrance of these cattle. He was a good Free Trader, and he went carefully into the matter, and came to the conclusion that they ought to be excluded because of the necessity of maintaining the standard of British cattle.

In regard to Northampton, some person must have sent infected cattle to the market, and these infected other animals. The Ministry had no definite knowledge as to the delinquent, but inquiries were proceeding, and it was hoped that the truth would be ascertained. Enormous damage had been caused, and he believed that there had been twenty resulting outbreaks. As to compensation, he was inquiring as to the possibility of a general scheme of insurance. Unless something totally unforeseen happened there would be no breakdown of the Board's machinery for dealing with disease. The Ministry was in a high state of efficiency.

THE RESEARCH COMMITTEE.

In the matter of research he had great hopes of the investigations of the Committee that was being set up. It was on the scientific side that the best hope existed of getting abreast of the present difficulty. Both branches of scientific research would be represented on the Committee, which, he hoped, would comprise equal numbers of human pathologists and veterinary experts. He was hopeful of getting the very best men to serve on the Committee.

Colonel Lambert Ward said that he thought the policy of slaughter had been carried too far.

Sir J. Gilmour said that the great majority of expert opinion was in favour of the policy of slaughter.

The clause was agreed to, and the bill passed through Committee without amendment.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH SCOURGE.

HUNDREDS OF ANIMALS DESTROYED.

Another outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease has been confirmed at Tiffield, Northamptonshire, making 18 in all, and now every market in the county is closed.

At a farm at Duston no fewer than 206 animals have had to be destroyed. A dog which ran into the field was also shot.

HEYSHAM LANDING PLACE CLOSED.

The Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction have been officially informed by the British Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries that Heysham landing place is closed, except for animals for slaughter within infected areas, and that Silloth landing place is freed from restrictions as from to-day, the 25th instant.

PARIS PRODUCE EXCHANGE

NO DECISION FOR RE-OPENING YET REACHED.

PARIS, Monday.

No decision has yet been taken by the Ministry of Commerce with regard to the re-opening of the Produce Exchange, and the matter is still under consideration.—(Reuter.)

VANDALISM IN CO. WATERFORD.

PROTESTANT CHURCH WRECKED.

St. Thomas's Church, Ballinakill, two miles from Waterford City, was entered during last Friday or Saturday night, and the interior fittings and fixtures completely wrecked.

The church was locked after a Service on Thursday evening, and was not opened again until Sunday morning, when the damage was discovered. The sexton found that virtually everything in the building had been wrecked.

Entrance was obtained by smashing a stained glass window. The Communion table was overturned and its legs torn out. An inlaid chair inside the Communion rails was smashed to pieces, a valuable clock, presented to the parish forty years ago, was pulled from the wall and broken up; a hanging lamp was torn from the ceiling and thrown into the font; curtains on the doors were pulled down, the brass lectern damaged, the covers torn off the Bible, which was otherwise mutilated; the organ damaged, and the offertory box broken open and robbed. Not even the church bell escaped.

The glass and frame of the roll of honour hanging in the porch were smashed, and the roll itself defaced by phrases written across it. Every small article in the building was overturned, and the whole interior presented a scene of indescribable confusion and wreck.

No motive is apparent, as the utmost good feeling existed among all creeds and classes in the district. There had never been any interference with the church or its congregation before, and the outrage is condemned by the whole countryside.

The rector of St. Patrick's, Waterford, with St. Thomas's, Ballinakill, is the Rev. Cecil W. Greenstreet, Precentor of Waterford Cathedral, who was appointed to the combined parishes in 1915.

GREEK DYNASTY.

DOWNFALL TO BE PROCLAIMED.

ATHENS, Monday.

At a meeting this afternoon between M. Venizelos, M. Roussos (ex-Minister for Foreign Affairs) and General Othonaios (representing the Army) it was agreed that the downfall of the Dynasty should be proclaimed in the Assembly, but conditionally upon the confirmation of this step by the plebiscite.

It is considered probable that this will lead to the resignation of M. Cafandaris, in which event M. Roussos is likely to become Premier.

The Greek Chamber is expected to vote to-night on a motion of confidence in the Government's programme. That programme involves the determination of the country's future *régime*, by a referendum of the people, not by a vote of the Chamber

A statement has been made by certain Republicans in the Chamber that the counter-revolution in October last had been encouraged by the King.

This is now denied by General Gargalides, one of the counter-revolutionary leaders, whose death sentence was commuted. He says that it is absolutely untrue that the King had either directly or indirectly initiated the plot.—(Reuter.)

LUDENDORFF TRIAL

TO COMMENCE TO-DAY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

MUNICH, Monday.

The Hitler-Ludendorff treason trial commences in the Military School, Munich, to-morrow morning. Of some 300 journalists in Munich for the trial only 120 have obtained seats.

The demand of influential people in Munich, who wish to attend the trial, has been so great that an additional number of seats had to be surrendered to them last week-end, and efforts were even made to-day to annex some of the few remaining Press seats for this purpose.

In addition to Hitler and General Von Ludendorff there are eight accused, who played leading parts in the Nationalist *coup* last December.

The trial will take place before the Bavarian People's Court, and the result will be either acquittal or imprisonment in a fortress.

In Bavaria the main interest will centre in the evidence of Dr. Von Kahr, who was Dictator until last week, on the famous meeting at the Burgerbrau Bier Restaurant, between himself and Hitler. The former consented to join in the *putsch*, but later the same night decided to suppress it with an iron hand. His explanation of this game is awaited with interest.

WHAT LUDENDORFF KNEW.

BERLIN, Monday.

The Socialist News Service this evening publishes what is described as an extract from the indictment of Herr Hitler, General Ludendorff, and their associates. The indictment emphasises the harmlessness of the conduct of the former State Commissioner, Herr von Kahr, as well as that of General von Lossow. The document shows, however, that Herr von Kahr and General von Lossow were in relations with Herr Hitler and his companions, and were well informed of the details of their plans.

The indictment describes Herr Hitler as the life and soul of the movement, and says that he prepared the details and placed himself at the head of the movement, that he declared the fall of the Government in Bavaria and the Reich, and allotted the offices of State, giving himself the leadership. The indictment declares to be well founded the opinion that General Ludendorff was strictly acquainted with the movements planned for November 8 last. "Of this violent and unconstitutional undertaking," it adds, "General Ludendorff received particulars as late as on the evening of November 8th, when he was brought in a motor lorry to the Buergerbrau Keller, where the *coup* was enacted. General Ludendorff is accused also of supporting the undertaking, and of having acted as leader of the newly-formed National Army, and of issuing directions to the Reichswehr regarding the protection of the frontier and the formation of the National forces.

INFLUENCING THE TROOPS.

He is stated to have ordered Captain Rochn to hold the district defence command; occupied the town with his men, and finally to have placed himself at the head of a procession within the town, in order to emphasise the importance of the movement and to influence the Reichswehr in favour of the enterprise by means of the *prestige* of his name and personality.

With regard to Herr Ernst Poehner, the Supreme Court Judge in Munich, the indictment states that he was aware of Herr Hitler's plans the previous day. In the same way Herr Wilhelm Erick, of the Munich Police Administration, is accused of having declared beforehand that in the event of a general rising he would be ready to accept the office of Police President in Munich.

He must also have been perfectly aware of the plans for the evening of November 8th.

With regard to another of the accused—Dr. Friedrich Weber—the indictment states that it was through his efforts that the carrying out of the rising of November 9th was made possible, because, as political leader of the Oberland League, he had thrown the weight of this League into the scales in favour of the movement.—(Reuter.)

COAL MINES THREAT.

NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUED.

In a Parliamentary question, Mr. E. Shinwell, Secretary for Mines, writes to Mr. Turner Samuels—who asked what steps were being taken to avoid the threatened rupture in the coalfields, and suggested the appointment of a Court of Inquiry at an early date—Negotiations between the colliery owners and colliery workers are still proceeding. I am keeping myself informed of the course of these negotiations, but Government intervention at this stage would be premature, and I cannot at present make any statement as to the form that intervention may take, should it become necessary.

DOCK STRIKE OVER.

MEN RETURNING TO WORK.

FULL TERMS TO BE PUBLISHED.

FROM OUR LABOUR CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Monday.

The question of a definite settlement of the dock strike was no longer in doubt when the delegates reassembled in London to-day with a mandate from the district meetings. Only two ports—Aberdeen and Boston—had voted against acceptance of the terms, and officials stated that this attitude was due to a misunderstanding. Consequently, the proceedings at to-day's conference were brief, and a spirit of optimistic satisfaction prevailed.

The delegates, according to an official statement issued afterwards by Mr. Bevin, decided unanimously to authorise the Committee to sign the agreement, and instructed the men at all the ports to return to work to-morrow morning. The full terms will be published to-morrow.

Mr. Bevin expressed the opinion that a great victory had been gained. It marks, he said, a tremendous step forward, not only on the money side, but also on the constructive side, and if it is consolidated now and followed up in all the ports great good can result.

Mr. Tillett did not anticipate any difficulty in persuading the men at Boston and Aberdeen to return to work, and he expressed the belief that full activity will be resumed at all the ports by Wednesday.

The decision of the Stevedores' Union to remain out still stands, and the effect on the work at the London docks will be seen to-morrow.

The position of London road transport drivers, who declined to handle goods during the strike, was settled satisfactorily to-day. Mr. Witcher, an official of the Transport Workers' Union, discussed the matter with representatives of the London Cartage and Haulage Contractors' Association, and an undertaking was given that at the end of the dispute all the men concerned will be reinstated unconditionally.

At Hull there was trouble to-day among railway workers—apparently owing to a misunderstanding. During the strike a week's notice was given to a number of checkers employed in the warehouses. Officials of the London and North-Eastern Company state that this was due to the fact that there was no work for these men to do during the strike. Some of the railwaymen inferred, however, that the notices were given as a reprisal for the refusal to handle goods at the docks, and to-day several hundred men took part in a lightning strike.

The opinion was expressed at the headquarters of the National Union of Railwaymen in London that with the end of the strike the notices would be withdrawn and the trouble would die down. This view of the difficulty was subsequently confirmed by railway officials at Hull.

It is expected that a joint committee to inquire into the methods by which registration at the ports may be perfected, and the way prepared for its examination and maintenance, will be appointed as soon as the agreement is signed. The independent chairman is to be chosen by the Minister of Labour.

PASSENGERS AS PORTERS.

The West African mail steamer, Zaria, landed her mails and passengers at Plymouth to-day, as did the Red Star liner, Zeeland, on her arrival from New York. The passengers had to handle their own baggage.

SITUATION IN SOUTHAMPTON.

The dockers' settlement is complicated, so far as Southampton is concerned, by numerous side issues, which will have to be straightened out before a general resumption of work becomes possible. About seven thousand hands are involved in the shipyard strike.

As the result of to-day's conversations efforts are being made to secure the early resumption of work.

MOTORING TOURS IN IRELAND.

WORK OF THE AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION.

Since the Automobile Association started issuing Triptyques for the Irish Free State the number of members proceeding to Ireland with their cars and motor cycles has increased by over 100 per cent.

In anticipation of a great demand for assistance in regard to motor tours in Ireland during the coming season, the Automobile Association has specially supplemented its organisation at Dublin and Belfast. Hotels and garages are being inspected, and a comprehensive signposting scheme is in course of execution.

THE TAX ON GERMAN GOODS.

A BIG REDUCTION IN REPARATIONS DUTIES.

The Treasury announce that, as stated in the House of Commons yesterday, the proportion of the value of goods to which the German Reparation (Recovery) Act, 1921, applies, payable to the Commissioners of Customs and Excise under the provisions of that Act, will be reduced from 26 per cent. to 5 per cent. in respect of goods imported on or after the 26th February, 1924.

Arrangements have been made for preventing the passing on of the levy to British importers. As regards goods imported between November 17th and February 25th, the German Government have undertaken to pay the exporter in gold bonds, on production of the British Customs receipts, irrespective of the date of the contract under which the sale took place.

[German goods entering Great Britain, of course, will still have to pay full import duties imposed outside the Reparations Act.]

TELEGRAPH NEGLECTED.

EXTENDING SCOPE OF AIR MAILS AND WIRELESS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Monday.

It is announced here that the International Telegraph Union at Berne is proposing a world inquiry into the growing neglect of the telegraph in internal and international communications. In some countries, such as the United States and Scandinavia, the telegraph now contributes hardly more than one per cent. of the total number of electric communications, and in France, where lack of enterprise still leaves over forty per cent. of the 35,000 communes unserved by the telephone, the proportion is only about ten per cent.

The air mail is mentioned as becoming a powerful rival to the telegraph wire. A letter posted in Paris at 7.50 p.m. is now delivered at Casablanca, in Morocco, on the following morning but one, which is not always, but is sometimes as rapid as the telegraph, and has other advantages. In a single month last year 200,000 communications were sent by this air route.

The use of wireless telegraphy is growing very rapidly. The great station near Bordeaux sends messages as far as Saigon. Saint Assise serves America and Lyons serves Moscow and Central Europe.

It is suggested here that if the plant and cables and the old system representing hundreds of millions are not gradually to be "scrapped" tariffs will have to be reduced and the service everywhere speeded up. In France it still often takes five hours to telegraph between Paris and Nice, and this is only one instance of the wide margin left for reform.

THE NEW BRITISH CRUISERS.

Mr. Ammon, M.P., in a written reply to a question, says that invitations to tender for the building of the new warships proposed to be built privately will be sent to all firms who, in the judgment of the Admiralty, are competent to fulfil the required conditions of the proposed contracts.

EXCHANGE PLOT.

REMARKABLE DANISH STORY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

COPENHAGEN, Monday.

The existence of a Russian-Jewish syndicate, which has been speculating on a huge scale in depreciated European currencies, and which has recently been working to debase Danish *valuta*, has been discovered by the Copenhagen police authorities. The same group is believed to have been interested in the fall of the French franc, and is declared to have cleaned up enormous fortunes by exploiting the monetary chaos of Europe. The chief agent of the group in Copenhagen is a Russian named Kliatachko, who is also said to be well known in French, English, and South American money centres Kliatachko is to be deported, and the question of bringing into force some Government measure to prevent the group from appointing other representatives to continue their operations is being considered.

FRANCE'S SECURITY.

BRITISH PREMIER'S POLICY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Monday.

Among French public men who are turning to the League of Nations for the solution of the European problem, none speaks with deeper conviction than M. Henry de Jouvenel, Senator and representative of France on the Council of the League.

Mr. Macdonald's intention to propose a settlement on an international basis and with the co-operation of the League has his full sympathy.

"I have no right to speak of what M. Poincaré might do," he told me, "but things are certainly turning in that direction here. I not only wish it, as you know, but believe it will come about. As to reparations, I think it is, perhaps, too early to say. Better let the Expert Committees report first and see how the problem will emerge then. It will do no harm to let matters develop by stages though, personally, I have my views of where they will end.

"The question of France's security is more easily discussed. Security—well, it means two things—first, the control of German armaments, and then the Rhineland. Control, as so far exercised, has disappeared, or rather it is illusory, and thus creates a false sense of security, which makes it a danger.

"Eventual control by the League is already provided for by the Treaty, and if it came at once it would be to everybody's interest. It would be unpleasant, even for Germany, for she would certainly find it far less wounding if she were one among many other nations to agree in accepting control by a general collectivity of States."

"And the Rhineland?" I asked. "Well, what do we want in the Rhineland? Is it permanent occupation, a second Alsace-Lorraine, with Rhenish Deputies in the Chamber? Is it to make of it a French colony in Europe? Ridiculous! What we want is security, simply. The only advantage of our present position there is that for 15 years it makes German mobilisation on the Rhine impossible. We should like it to be always so. We should like the Rhine to become a symbol, the line of civilisation over which whoever passes—whether France or Germany—would be civilisation's enemy.

"There is no reason why the Rhineland should not be internationalised; free to have commerce with whom it pleases, but a sort of neutral region, guaranteed by the same great collectivity—the League of Nations."

M. de Jouvenel thinks that M. Poincaré is ready to turn towards the League, and he is glad for one special reason. He thinks that M. Poincaré is the one man who, if he were once decided, could carry the whole country with him for that solution.

INTER-ALLIED CONTROL.

PARIS, Monday.

The Diplomatic Correspondent of the Havas Agency states that Mr. Ramsay Macdonald, in his desire to show that the British Cabinet is animated with a sincere desire for co-operation and understanding with France on the international problems interesting the two countries, has communicated to Paris an official expression of his views concerning the necessity for the resumption of inter-Allied control in Germany, and the conditions under which it could be effectively carried out. This communication will be the subject of an early discussion by the Ambassador's Conference.—(Reuter.)

POPLAR DEBATE TO-NIGHT.

THE CONSERVATIVE PARTY'S AMENDMENT.

FROM A POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

WESTMINSTER, Monday Night.

Poplar will have the whole debate to-morrow. The Conservative Party's amendment, which is to be moved by Sir William Joynson-Hicks, and supported by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, was handed in to-night, and proves to be a challenge to the Poplar scale of calculating relief. It seeks to insert at the opening of Mr. Briant's Liberal motion words to the effect that the House is of opinion "that the amount of poor law relief should be calculated on a lower scale than the earning of the independent workman, who is maintaining himself by his labour."

The Ministers mean to divide the House on Poplar, but whether they will take the Liberals into the lobby with them is very doubtful. The general opinion to-night is that Mr. Asquith will receive assurances from the Government which will exonerate Liberals from the responsibility of defeating the Government.

An important three-line whip was issued by the Government requesting the Labour members to be in their places not later than 3.30 p.m. for any division.

The following footnote is underlined three times:—

"It is of the utmost importance that you should remain in attendance throughout the day in readiness for a division on the Poplar motion. If one is taken it will be very important."

INDIAN OFFICIAL KILLED.

AN ACCIDENTAL SHOT.

Mr. W. J. Good, Secretary to the Calcutta Port Commissioners, who is reported by Reuter to have been shot dead while on a holiday in the Kumaon Hills, was thirty-five years of age. He was born at Roscommon, educated at Trinity College, Dublin, and became Secretary to the Port Commissioners in 1913.

CALCUTTA, Monday.

According to a Lucknow message, Mr. W. J. Good, the Secretary to the Calcutta Port Commissioners, who was shot dead in the forests, twenty miles from Nainital, was accidentally killed by a stray bullet from the gun of an Indian shikari.—(Reuter.)

DUBLIN ELECTIONS.

DATES OF NOMINATION AND POLLING.

Mr. W. McA. McCracken, returning officer for the County Dublin constituency, announces that he will receive nominations of candidates for the County Dublin election on the 5th of March next, between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m., at the Central Model Schools, Deverel place, Lower Gardiner street, Dublin. In the event of a contest, the poll will take place on the 19th of March. Already three candidates are in the field—Mr. Batt O'Connor, Cumann na nGaedheal; Mr. A. Heron, Irish Labour Party; and Mr. S. McEntee, Republican.

In the South Dublin City constituency Dr. Lorcan G. Sherlock, returning officer for the City of Dublin, will receive nominations on Friday at the Grand Jury Room, Green street Courthouse, Dublin, between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The polling will take place on Wednesday, March 12.

There are two candidates in the field—Mr. James O'Mara, Cumann na nGaedheal, and Mr. John O'Neill, Independent. A Republican candidate has not yet been put forward.

DOMINION STATUS.

INDIAN NATIONALIST CLAIMS.

PROPOSED CONFERENCE IN LONDON.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

DELHI, Monday.

The Indian Nationalists are preparing to choose the delegation which will visit London and confer with the leaders of the Labour Government concerning the immediate Dominion *status* if Lord Oliver's statement on India proves unsatisfactory. This move is based upon the belief that certain of the Labour leaders desire to be conciliatory if they can overcome the opposition of the British vested interests in India.

Although the vast majority of the Central Assembly has voted for a round-table conference to study ways and means of exending reforms, the Nationalists will be temporarily satisfied by the appointment of a Royal Commission, says Pandit Malaviya, President of the Hindu University at Benares and a leading Nationalist. The Swarajists prefer a round-table conference, which would include all Indian parties and interests, but they realise that it is unattainable now.

If a Royal Commission is appointed, Pandit Malaviya says, the obstruction movement will not be started in the Assembly. However, if the Commission's report should recommend less than the minimum Nationalist demand, the obstruction programme will be carried through.

Pandit Malaviya, declaring that he spoke for the entire party, outlined to me the following demands, which, he indicated, are the least that will be acceptable:—Immediate total self-government of the provinces. Immediate responsible government for all India, but retention of the powers of the Army and Navy under the Viceroy for 20 years, during which time British forces in India shall be reduced to 20,000, and the retention by the Viceroy of foreign affairs, including relations with the native princes. Increased facilities for training officers. In return, the Nationalists are ready to guarantee that there shall be no reduction in the salaries of the posts held by Europeans now in the military and civil services, and they are also ready to guarantee the integrity of British capital in India.

DEFENCE OF INDIA.

M. Alaviya repudiated the attitude which has been attributed to one extremist—that Great Britain would continue to defend India with its blood after the Indians had taken over the Government. "We object to a large budget of items for European officers, which can be passed by the Viceroy over our heads. We are not desirous of securing full control till our officers are trained for the National Army, which, in my opinion, will take about 20 years."

"It should be added that high British officers have stated repeatedly that the ratio of one British and three Indian Battalions, cannot be reduced. At the present time, only 12 Indians in Sandhurst and 70 in Dera Dun, we can never have a National Army. We consider that too much money has been spent on the Army and too little on education. We resent preference being given to British trade interests over Indian. We want control of provincial law and order, as we understand Indian psychology better than the Europeans do. Our party feels no interest in the routine business of the Assembly. What we want is power. The recent defeat of the Government is a step towards our aims. We believe that London will yield in a few months, for the English are wise.

"Ghandi is less interested in our campaign than in our constructive programme, which includes the suppression of Hindu and Moslem differences. Our hopes centre in Mr. Ramsay Macdonald. We fear the British Liberal Party. Unless placated meanwhile, the Nationalists will begin obstruction of every Government measure early in March, when the Budget will be submitted.

"The Government then has three courses open—to dissolve the Assembly, which will be an admission of the failure of the Constitution; to appoint a Royal Commission; to pass measures over the head of the Assembly. The Government's best hopes are based upon a split in the Nationalist ranks, but it is significant that even the moderates voted with the Opposition last week.

BRITISH CABINET'S ATTITUDE.

Mr. R. Richards, in the British House of Commons yesterday, informed Mr. Becker and Mr. George Lansbury that the Cabinet was seriously considering the whole position in India. He asked the hon. members to repeat their questions with reference to appointing a Commission to examine the working of the Montagu-Chelmsford reforms, and as to the suggested round-table Conference three weeks hence.

JAITO INCIDENT.

MR. GANDHI AND THE SIKHS.

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. Gandhi, in a message to the Akali Sikhs, says that he learned with great distress of the fighting at Jaito last week. He urges the Akalis not to send any more Jathas (organised bands) without further consultation with the leaders outside the Sikh community. Mr. Gandhi recommends the adoption of a policy of non-violence, particularly in a religious struggle, such as he declares the Akalis are waging.—(Reuter.)

SIR HORACE PLUNKETT'S RETURN.

MISSION IMPEDED BY ILLNESS.

Sir Horace Plunkett, who went to the United States a few months ago on behalf of the Irish Free State Government, to tour agricultural centres, arrived by the White Star liner Cedric at Liverpool yesterday. He said that he had been unable to carry out his programme as fully as he wished, owing to illness, though he was now quite recovered. Sir Horace hoped to pursue activities on behalf of the farming community of Ireland.

MR. CHURCHILL'S FUTURE

STILL IN DOUBT.

FROM A POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

The Lobby gives a very cold reception to the suggestion that Mr. Winston Churchill may stand for the Abbey Division of Westminster. Mr. Churchill's name is frigidly received by both parties.

The Liberals no longer regard him as a Liberal, and, if they had done so before, they would have been obliged to recognise that his letter to the Unionist candidate in Burnley is a gesture, significant of his desire to be on good terms with the Unionist official circle.

Already an Independent Unionist has announced his intention of standing for the seat, and if Mr. Churchill stands as an Independent Labour will put up a candidate against him, and, in that event, the Liberals may also produce a candidate.

Mr. Churchill's only chance of success, therefore, is to be adopted as the official Unionist candidate. The probabilities at present, however, are against this.

It is stated to-night that it is an even chance that he may not emerge from his retirement at all in the Westminster election, but may regard himself as having paved the way for acceptance at a later stage into the Unionist fold.

Unionists speak of him as a brilliant Parliamentarian who lacks judgment and is distrusted by the country. Some of his friends are certain he is going to stand, and all admit that he would liven things up.

MR. CLYNES REPLIES.

Mr. Clynes, replying at Burnley yesterday to Mr. Churchill's letter to the Conservative candidate, said:—"It was Mr. Churchill who first said that Labour was not fit to rule. Events had provided him with an answer. His intervention on the side of the Tory candidate will make sure of the big majority which Labour had hoped for from the beginning. It was a piece of good fortune to Labour that Mr. Churchill spoke out so loudly. The letter was words, words, words. He is the dazzling glare of our present-day politics, but more likely to cause another spill on the road than show us the way to national safety."

U.S. AND ALIEN IMMIGRATION.

FURTHER RESTRICTION PROPOSED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

Immigration to the United States will be further restricted if a bill, now before Congress, becomes law.

The bill, drafted by the House Committee of Immigration, is designed to curtail still further the total number of aliens admitted, particularly those from Southern and Eastern Europe, while excluding entirely Japanese and others ineligible for American citizenship. It is estimated that the total quota of immigrants admitted under this proposed law would be 163,837, compared with 357,803 under the existing law.

Under the existing law the number of immigrants from each country admitted each year is restricted to 3 per cent. of the number of foreign-born persons of that nationality resident in the United States in 1910. The bill proposes to reduce the quota of each country to 2 per cent. of the residents in 1890.

The effect of the change will be to make only a comparatively minor reduction in the number of immigrants who may come in from Great Britain, Germany, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, and the other countries of Northern and Western Europe. The reduction wrought by the bill in the number permitted to come in from countries of Southern and Eastern Europe is, however, quite severe. For example, the number permitted from Italy will go down from 42,057, as at present, to 3,912. In the case of Russia the decrease will be from 21,613 to 1,992. Poland will be reduced from 21,076 to 5,156.

SPAIN WITHDRAWS FROM LEAGUE.

DISARMAMENT PLANS NOT APPROVED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Monday.

Spain has withdrawn from the League of Nations Conference on the limitation of naval armaments issue.

The country has refused to collaborate further in plans for the extension of the Washington Treaty.

The Spanish standpoint, as explained by Commander Montagus, the chief member of the delegation, is as follows:—

"Spain, although not bound to accept any limitation in her naval armaments, voluntarily offered to limit her capital ship tonnage of 105,000. Argentina, China, and Turkey declined to accept limitations, while Brazil, Chile, Greece and Sweden made their offers conditional on similar undertakings by Argentina, Turkey and the Baltic Powers. This meant that nobody was pledged.

"Spain felt that her unconditional offer deserved a better reception. Her delegation was incensed because after the Conference, in view of his past services, and lay emphasis on the purity of his motives in wishing only the welfare of the Fatherland. The Socialist and Democratic Press will be content only if strict justice is meted out to the accused men, and are unable to refrain from contrasting the attitude of the Reactionaries towards the treason trials in which their supporters are involved, and those at which their differently thinking but, perhaps, equally well-intentioned opponents are arraigned.

SUNDAY LISTENING-IN.

CONDEMNED BY SCOTTISH DIVINE.

Wireless broadcasting on Sunday has been condemned by the Rev. James Smith, St. George's-in-the-West Parish Church, Aberdeen. Concerts, bands, excursions, golf, motoring, cycling, trade and political meetings, and many other things, he said, were all nibbling at the Lord's Day and hindering worship and going to church regularly on Sunday.

Now there was wireless broadcasting. It was an easy, tempting and selfish substitute for church-going. If this spread extensively, it seemed likely to threaten the Church, as well as its finances, and in the process of time it looked as though a minister would find himself reduced to a machine for baptising, marrying, burying, sick-visiting, certifying, giving and situation-getting.

He begged his people not to let wireless broadcasting on Sunday take the place in their Christian life that the Church ought to have.

THE DOCKS STRIKE.

AN ARBITRATION COURT.

The *Daily News* says:—The decision of the dockers' delegates at their resumed meeting to accept the employers' new offer was almost a foregone conclusion. We hope that in the course of the forthcoming investigation into the conditions of work employers and employed will come sufficiently together to agree to the setting-up of a Court of Inquiry as an acknowledged permanent procedure to function not after a rupture of relations has taken place, but as soon as a dispute develops. It is a suggestion which would come very appropriately from the Minister of Labour.

LESSON OF THE STRIKE.

The *Daily Telegraph* says:—The lesson which stands out as the dust of this lamentable struggle clears away is that if we would increase the prosperity of our trade, if we would increase the money going into every worker's household, we must preserve our slow-reviving industries from such shocks as that just inflicted on one of the most vital of them. Negotiations must take the place of the ultimatum, and the preservation of peace must be counted the greater victory than the triumph of force on either side.

THE GOVERNMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY.

The *Morning Post* says:—The dock strike has made it plain that the Government are afraid to use the powers they possess. The action demanded of the Government in the case of the holding up of the mail services would not have affected the cause of the dockers in the least. It would merely have enforced respect for the operations of a Department of State which is responsible to the public for the safe and punctual delivery of the mails which failed to fulfil that responsibility. The Socialist Administration is distinguished by an immense volume of talk, but where is the Minister who is not afraid to do instead of talk, and dares to fulfil his duty instead of shirking it?

ELECTORAL REFORM.

The *Westminster Gazette* says:—The hap-hazard character of Parliamentary representation under our present electoral system, as complicated by the arrival of a permanent third party, is illustrated from several points of view in "Representation," the journal of the Proportional Representation Society. No one can defend a system which thus leaves 71 of the Liberals and Labourists of Birmingham—28,980 votes—and all the Conservatives of Cornwall—41,237 votes—without an M.P. to whom they can appeal on any local question, or as voicing in some way their point of view on politics. It is only under Proportional Representation that all Liberals everywhere can hope to remain active and effective, and this particular point should be kept well in mind by the Committee of Liberal members which is considering electoral reform.

DEAR ECONOMY.

The *Daily Express* says:—The War Office have set a bad example by handing over a £50,000 contract for canned meat to a foreign firm, and the explanation that the War Office was helpless because the British tenders were outside the margin allowed to a department is not comforting. If our Imperial Conferences can do nothing else, they might at least establish a better spirit of give and take in all parts of the Empire. The immediate economy achieved by accepting foreign tenders, largely based on a lower wage scale, are purchased dearly, when work, wages and profits, sorely needed within the Empire, are sent abroad.

TO-DAY'S LONDON PAPERS.

MR. HENDERSON AND VERSAILLES.

AN UNWISE SPEECH.

The Times deals, in an editorial article, with the remarks of Mr. Henderson, the Home Secretary, at Burnley last Saturday, regarding the Treaty of Versailles. The gist of his argument was that Treaty and all the other peace treaties had failed, and ought to be revised. Outlining the "task of the Government," he said that all who valued world peace and desired to see the inauguration of a new era of international co-operation and good-will must insist, as an absolute essential, on the revision of the Treaty of Versailles with all expedition possible. The matter was raised in the House of Commons yesterday, when the Prime Minister, after being pressed, announced that the statement, if made, was not a statement that had been discussed by the Cabinet. It is clear, therefore, observes *The Times*, that the Home Secretary had no authority whatever for the language which he used. The truth is that some members of the Cabinet hardly seem even now to realise the important position in the world which a British Minister of the Crown occupies simply by reason of his office. Mr. Henderson's opinion will by this time have been carried by newspapers, the sound waves of civilisation, half round the world. It will have been read by thousands in every country in Europe and beyond it.

Moreover, it will be pretty generally realised that Mr. Henderson is a candidate in an election in which his business is not so much to retain the votes of Labour extremists as to win the votes of Liberals. Mr. Macdonald himself has begun the new quest for European settlement by maintaining with care and considerable ability the prospect of cordial co-operation with France in that tremendous task. His lieutenant's indiscretion, however, is more likely to convey the unfortunate impression that the British Government are only playing for time, while their real object is a course of action abhorrent to the whole of French public opinion.

LUDENDORFF TRIAL.

POLITICAL PASSIONS AROUSED.

In a message from Berlin last night, *The Times* Correspondent states:—As the trial of Herr Hitler and General Ludendorff, for their part in the unsuccessful Bavarian Nationalist *putsch* of last November, which begins to-morrow, approaches, the smouldering political passions that formed its background seem destined to be awakened once more. The practice of abstaining from comment on cases *sub-judice* does not obtain here, and newspapers of all parties have allowed themselves considerable freedom in prejudging the case, even to the extent of giving a summary of Ludendorff's evidence.

Naturally, the newspapers of the Right are in favour of the case being treated as a formality in the case of General Ludendorff, in view of his past services, and lay emphasis on the purity of his motives in wishing only the welfare of the Fatherland. The Socialist and Democratic Press will be content only if strict justice is meted out to the accused men, and are unable to refrain from contrasting the attitude of the Reactionaries towards the treason trials in which their supporters are involved, and those at which their differently thinking but, perhaps, equally well-intentioned opponents are arraigned.

MR. JAMES M. COX.

CANDIDATE FOR U.S. PRESIDENCY.

Mr. James M. Cox, Democratic candidate for the Presidency in 1920, is again a candidate. Cox is the former New York Correspondent in a message yesterday. To-day he filed with the Secretary of the State of Ohio formal authorisation for delegates to the Democratic National Convention to use his name as their first choice for President.

Mr. Cox is the foremost supporter in his party of the League of Nations.

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every possible chance of making the experiment a success, and of doing in our day much better work than any set of people had done in the past. To the credit of the Oireachtas it had to be said that there was one member of it who wrote to him, saying that he was ready to invest £2,000 in this experiment. It was not, however, a question of investment, but of what would be the cost of building. Five hundred houses under this scheme would require a capital of, say, £200,000 for a year. There would be no loss, and a great public work would be accomplished; and he hoped that there would be a corresponding appreciation on the part of those who would benefit under the scheme.

A GOOD CITIZEN.

Mr. Philip Lawrence, in moving a vote of thanks, said that President Cosgrave had conferred an honour on the club by his presence. The main object of the club was to promote good citizenship, and in Mr. Cosgrave they had the embodiment of a good citizen. (Hear, hear.)

Major Bryan Cooper said that on the housing question there was no dividing line in politics. It was the duty of all of them to see if they could get something done to meet the great evil, for there were housing conditions in the City of Dublin which were a disgrace not only to the city, but to Ireland as a whole. The President in this matter could do no more than to give them a lead, and he hoped that the appeal that was made that day by Mr. Cosgrave would not fall upon deaf ears. (Hear, hear.)

The vote was passed with acclamation.

Sir Thomas Robinson expressed the regret which he knew that every member of the Club felt at the death of Rotarian Brewster.

Among those present were:—Sir John O'Connell, Sir Henry McLaughlin, the Marquis MacSwiney, Mr. E. Lupton, K.C. (Police Magistrate); Mr. Joseph O'Mara, Sir Thomas G. Esmonde, and many representatives of the building trade.

WAGE REDUCTIONS.

THE POSITION IN DUBLIN.

"Owing to the greatly reduced rates obtainable for milk in the city, due to increased competition from country parts," the Dublin Cowkeepers' and Dairy Proprietors' Association say that they propose to reduce the wages of their workmen by 2s per week from 2nd March next. The present rate of wages for milkers is £3 per week, and about 500 of them are involved in the employers' proposal.

A meeting of No. 3 Branch of the Irish Transport Union will be held to-morrow night to discuss the proposal.

THE BUILDING TRADE.

It is understood that on Friday next representatives of the Dublin Master Builders' Association will meet representatives of the various unions connected with the building trade to receive their reply as to whether they will accept arbitration on the proposal to reduce wages by fourpence an hour and to extend the working hours from 44 to 48.

Meetings of the various unions were held during the week-end, and it is understood that the arbitration proposal has been rejected.

The reply of the unions may possibly lead to the submission of fresh proposals or the intervention of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

THE BRITISH DOCKERS' STRIKE.

It was stated by Mr. E. P. Hart, Irish Secretary of the Amalgamated Transport and General Workers' Union, in Dublin yesterday that the dockers' conference in London would result in the resumption of work to-day or to-morrow. It was, he said, a victory for the men. Already 95 per cent. of the dockers were casual, but as a result of the fight they would be guaranteed a certain amount each week of work or pay. That was worth fighting for.

FOREIGN GOODS.

IRELAND AGAIN BECOMING A DUMPING GROUND.

At the monthly meeting of the Executive Council of the Cork Industrial Development Association, Mr. William Kelleher presiding, the "serious retrograde movement" which has set in so far as Irish industrial activities are concerned, was considered. It was the feeling of the meeting that the old spirit of *laissez faire* was again taking hold of the country, and that the demand for goods of Irish manufacture was on the wane. The character and volume of the unnecessary imports through the Port of Cork alone, indicated that Ireland was more than ever becoming the dumping ground for goods of foreign origin.

Statistics showed how strong the retrograde movement had grown. Between July, 1922, and July, 1923, the imports, in tons, through the Port of Cork of fish was 1,023; wheaten flour, 17,000; furniture, 486; biscuits, 703; boots and shoes, 729; bricks, 1,239; brooms and brushes, 145; candles, 545; soap, 971; slates, 867; starch, 90; stationery, 429; agricultural implements, 112; jams and preserves, 1,020; confectionery, 1,430. Whilst these goods were being imported over 10,000 Irishmen and women emigrated through the Port of Queenstown.

In order to combat, even in a small way, the strangulation of Irish industries the meeting decided to make every effort to revive the Irish Products League. As a means of stimulating the interest of the youth of the country, it was decided to enrol as members of the Association as many students and school children as possible. It was further decided to offer for competition a gold medal and a silver medal for the two best essays written by students under 17 years of age.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

YOUNG MAN CUT IN TWO BY OIL WAGON.

Death due to injuries accidentally received was the verdict at the inquest in Dublin yesterday on Lawrence Gaynor, 21, of 32 Hawthorn terrace, Church road, Dublin, who was run over and knocked down by a six-ton oil wagon at the North Wall on Friday last. The deceased apparently attempted to mount the wagon while it was in motion, and fell, when he was crushed by the wheel, which severed the spinal cord and ruptured the aorta.

Dr. Hughes, house surgeon at Jervis street Hospital, described the injuries sustained by the deceased, who was brought to the hospital immediately after the accident. In witness's opinion death was due to severance of the spinal cord and rupture of the aorta, and was instantaneous.

Patrick Doherty, 1 Ryan's avenue, Church road, stated that on Friday about 2.30 p.m. he left the British Petroleum Company's works with an oil wagon, which was drawn along the side by two horses. At Goulding's gate he heard a shout, and immediately applied the brake. While doing so he saw a man on the ground beneath the tank. He had not seen the man before. The wagon travelled about four feet after the brake was applied.

Robert Carey, 46 North King street, said that the deceased attempted to jump on the right hand buffer of the wagon. The men in charge of the wagon could not see him. He fell on the rails and was run over.

The men in the house on the cottage drawing the wagon said that the occurrence was unavoidable.

Mr. Reddin said that when the accident occurred the deceased was in the position of a trespasser. He expressed sympathy with the relatives of the deceased on behalf of Messrs. John Cullen and Co., carriers, East Wall. Mr. Miley, for the British Petroleum Company, joined in the expression of sympathy.

The jury exonerated the men in charge of the oil wagon from all blame.

CANADIAN STUDENT'S SUCCESS.

MONTREAL (By Mail).

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The Dean of Christ Church Cathedral presided. He said that they had come to the closing of the Mission. They had to thank God and take courage. They had to thank Him for the large attendance at the Mission meetings, and for the band of speakers who were permitted to come to instruct them. All the external evidence pointed to the success of the Mission, but they knew by experience in politics. It was the duty of all of them to see if they could get something done to meet the great evil, for there were housing conditions in the City of Dublin which were a disgrace not only to the city, but to Ireland as a whole. The President in this matter could do no more than to give them a lead, and he hoped that the appeal that was made that day by Mr. Cosgrave would not fall upon deaf ears. (Hear, hear.)

The vote was passed with acclamation.

Sir Thomas Robinson expressed the regret which he knew that every member of the Club felt at the death of Rotarian Brewster.

Among those present were:—Sir John O'Connell, Sir Henry McLaughlin, the Marquis MacSwiney, Mr. E. Lupton, K.C. (Police Magistrate); Mr. Joseph O'Mara, Sir Thomas G. Esmonde, and many representatives of the building trade.

WAGE REDUCTIONS.

THE POSITION IN DUBLIN.

"Owing to the greatly reduced rates obtainable for milk in the city, due to increased competition from country parts," the Dublin Cowkeepers' and Dairy Proprietors' Association say that they propose to reduce the wages of their workmen by 2s per week from 2nd March next. The present rate of wages for milkers is £3 per week, and about 500 of them are involved in the employers' proposal.

A meeting of No. 3 Branch of the Irish Transport Union will be held to-morrow night to discuss the proposal.

THE BUILDING TRADE.

It is understood that on Friday next representatives of the Dublin Master Builders' Association will meet representatives of the various unions connected with the building trade to receive their reply as to whether they will accept arbitration on the proposal to reduce wages by fourpence an hour and to extend the working hours from 44 to 48.

Meetings of the various unions were held during the week-end, and it is understood that the arbitration proposal has been rejected.

The reply of the unions may possibly lead to the submission of fresh proposals or the intervention of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce.

THE BRITISH DOCKERS' STRIKE.

It was stated by Mr. E. P. Hart, Irish Secretary of the Amalgamated Transport and General Workers' Union, in Dublin yesterday that the dockers' conference in London would result in the resumption of work to-day or to-morrow. It was, he said, a victory for the men. Already 95 per cent. of the dockers were casual, but as a result of the fight they would be guaranteed a certain amount each week of work or pay. That was worth fighting for.

FOREIGN GOODS.

IRELAND AGAIN BECOMING A DUMPING GROUND.

At the monthly meeting of the Executive Council of the Cork Industrial Development Association, Mr. William Kelleher presiding, the "serious retrograde movement" which has set in so far as Irish industrial activities are concerned, was considered. It was the feeling of the meeting that the old spirit of *laissez faire* was again taking hold of the country, and that the demand for goods of Irish manufacture was on the wane. The character and volume of the unnecessary imports through the Port of Cork alone, indicated that Ireland was more than ever becoming the dumping ground for goods of foreign origin.

Statistics showed how strong the retrograde movement had grown. Between July, 1922, and July, 1923, the imports, in tons, through the Port of Cork of fish was 1,023; wheaten flour, 17,000; furniture, 486; biscuits, 703; boots and shoes, 729; bricks, 1,239; brooms and brushes, 145; candles, 545; soap, 971; slates, 867; starch, 90; stationery, 429; agricultural implements, 112; jams and preserves, 1,020; confectionery, 1,430. Whilst these goods were being imported over 10,000 Irishmen and women emigrated through the Port of Queenstown.

In order to combat, even in a small way, the strangulation of Irish industries the meeting decided to make every effort to revive the Irish Products League. As a means of stimulating the interest of the youth of the country, it was decided to enrol as members of the Association as many students and school children as possible. It was further decided to offer for competition a gold medal and a silver medal for the two best essays written by students under 17 years of age.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

YOUNG MAN CUT IN TWO BY OIL WAGON.

Death due to injuries accidentally received was the verdict at the inquest in Dublin yesterday on Lawrence Gaynor, 21, of 32 Hawthorn terrace, Church road, Dublin, who was run over and knocked down by a six-ton oil wagon at the North Wall on Friday last. The deceased apparently attempted to mount the wagon while it was in motion, and fell, when he was crushed by the wheel, which severed the spinal cord and ruptured the aorta.

Dr. Hughes, house surgeon at Jervis street Hospital, described the injuries sustained by the deceased, who was brought to the hospital immediately after the accident. In witness's opinion death was due to severance of the spinal cord and rupture of the aorta, and was instantaneous.

Patrick Doherty, 1 Ryan's avenue, Church road, stated that on Friday about 2.30 p.m. he left the British Petroleum Company's works with an oil wagon, which was drawn along the side by two horses. At Goulding's gate he heard a shout, and immediately applied the brake. While doing so he saw a man on the ground beneath the tank. He had not seen the man before. The wagon travelled about four feet after the brake was applied.

Robert Carey, 46 North King street, said that the deceased attempted to jump on the right hand buffer of the wagon. The men in charge of the wagon could not see him. He fell on the rails and was run over.

The men in the house on the cottage drawing the wagon said that the occurrence was unavoidable.

Mr. Reddin said that when the accident occurred the deceased was in the position of a trespasser. He expressed sympathy with the relatives of the deceased on behalf of Messrs. John Cullen and Co., carriers, East Wall. Mr. Miley, for the British Petroleum Company, joined in the expression of sympathy.

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Where does the blame lie? In the days of red tape the Government might be cajoled or shamed into doing something to prevent such a calamity, but where is its successor of the green tape? There is a Ministry of Fisheries for the Free State, but it seems too modest to court publicity by any action, good or bad. It did get prominently into the Press recently, when it nearly plunged the country into a serious constitutional conflict as to what official should have the privilege of reducing poachers' fines. The plain fact is that all the graft to this busy Department is needed for salaries and administration expenses, so that, when these are paid, there is nothing left to administer to the poor people for whose benefit the Ministry was set up, with the possible exception of a small sum devoted to salmon and oyster cultivation. I am sure that the poor of Ireland (and particularly the poor of Dublin, the poorest city in the world), when anxiously looking out for a few herrings or mackerel to make a scanty dinner, would take a deep interest in the Ministry's up-to-date theories on salmon-spawning and oyster-rearing.

The inactivity of the Ministry is, however, not the only handicap for the poor fishermen. There is a buyers' "ring," or combine, as close and as thorough in its methods as any similar body in the world. Their methods are so efficient that the fishermen, who not only work harder and suffer more in their calling than any others, but risk their lives every day and every hour, never get more for their catch than suffices to keep body and soul together from day to day. When accident or ordinary wear and tear necessitates any unusual outlay, there is no reserve to meet it, and the boat, owner, skipper and crew are laid on the shelf, and, short of a miracle or an efficient Fishery Department, with no hope of ever getting off it.

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THE HOME BANK OF CANADA.

OTTAWA, Monday.

A Royal Commission will be appointed to investigate the affairs of the defunct Home Bank of Canada, with a view of determining whether there is any onus upon the Government to re-imburse the depositors because of the lack of special Government audit when representations were made to the Finance Department several years ago regarding the bank's losses. This audit, the depositors claim, if it had been made at the time, would have prevented the subsequent continued mismanagement and loss.—(Reuter.)

FRENCH ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.

PARIS, Monday.

The Academy of Science has elected Duke Maurice de Broglie, Doctor Honoris Causa, of Oxford University, a member of the Academy, in place of the late M. de Freycinet.

NEW MOTOR RECORD.

NEW YORK, Monday.

A message from Los Angeles states that a new world's record was established by a motor car there. Two hundred and fifty miles were covered in 2 hours 9 minutes 14 3-5 seconds in the Spring Automobile Championship.—(Exchange.)

CUSTOMS AND EXCISE.

Open Competition. 50 Vacancies. 26th March, 1924. Age 16-23. ELEVEN SUCCESSES AT LAST EXAM. (Limited Competition) August, 1923. BEST RESULT. Special Oral and Correspondence Classes now working. Intending Candidates should enrol at once.—SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

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BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY.—An extraordinary general meeting of the Bibliographical Society of Ireland passed a resolution last night to increase the annual subscription to ten shillings. The step was considered necessary in view of the increasing difficulties of carrying on the Society's work. The rule will come into force for new members on March 31, and for present members on January 1, 1925. A series of interesting notes were contributed by Mr. E. R. McC. Dix, dealing with the Dickson family, printers in Dublin, in the first half of the 18th century; the wills of John North, stationer, Dublin, 1697; Peter Lawrence, bookseller, Dublin, 1706-9; and Samuel Fuller, a Dublin printer, of the 18th century; and early plays printed in Ireland in the 17th century.

ALLEGED SHEEP STEALING.—At Drumcondra yesterday, James, William, and Robert Murphy and Denis Delany, Clondalkin, were charged on remand with having, on January 28, stolen two sheep. Informations against Delany and Robert Murphy were refused, and the other men were further remanded.

CONNAUGHT.

RATES LESS THAN 1914.—Mayo County Council has adopted rates for the ensuing year as follows:—Ballina, 2s. 1d. on land and 2s. 4d. on buildings; Ballinrobe, 1s. 6d. and 2s.; Belmullet, 5s. and 7s. 2d.; Castlebar, 1s. 2d. and 3s. 6d.; Claremorris, 3s. and 4s. 9d.; Swinford, 2s. 9d. and 4s. 7d.; Westport, 4s. 3d. and 6s. 9d. It was said that these rates are lower than in pre-war days. The rates in Castlebar Union in 1909-10 were 3s. 10d. and 4s. 5d.; in 1914-15, 2s. 7d. and 4s. 2d.; and this year, 1s. 8d. and 3s. 6d.

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LIMERICK "THROUGH" RATES.—Limerick Harbour Board has been informed by the Irish Traffic Conference that the question of through rates from Limerick is still before the Conference, and that a final decision has not yet been reached.

FISHERY PROSECUTIONS.—Daniel Goulding was fined £4, the maximum penalty, at Cork yesterday for having used a strokehaul (illegal implement) to catch fish at the Waterworks weir in the River Lee. John Sheehan, fish merchant, was fined £12 and costs for having been in possession of six salmon caught during the close season.

RAILWAY STATION BURGLARS.—Burglars entered the railway premises at Newcastle West, County Limerick, during Saturday night and stole a case of wines. The automatic machines on the platform were broken open, and the contents and money taken.

LISTOWEL MILL STRIKE.—All the employés at the corn mills of Messrs. Latchford and Son, Listowel, have struck work to resist a reduction of 2s. a week in their wages.

ULSTER.

BULLOCK'S FREAK.—A bullock which was being driven through Church square, Monaghan, yesterday stopped to look through a shop window. After a short contemplation of its reflection in the glass the animal pushed its head through it and then walked away. Some crockery in the window was smashed by the falling glass.

The annual dinner of the Blackrock College Union will be held next Thursday at Clery's Restaurant, Sackville street, Dublin, at 7.15 p.m.

Mayo County Council has appointed Mr. R. F. Gibbons, Westport, to be Assistant County Surveyor for the Ballinrobe district.

The Secretary of the Longford County Council states that all the rates due up to September 30 last have been collected and lodged.

A farm of fifty-five acres, with house, three and a half miles from Youghal, has been sold for £1,410, subject to a charge of £28 and tithe rent of £2 9s. 8d.

The inaugural meeting of the University College Literary Society will be held in the University College to-morrow at 8 p.m., when Mr. Francis Ryan will speak on "Unilingualism."

Edward Leslie, of Newcastle West, Co. Limerick, was fined £2 and costs at Tarbert, Co. Kerry, on refusing to give his name to a policeman, and fined 2s. 6d. and costs for driving his motor car without a rear light.

A verdict of suicide while temporarily insane was returned at an inquest in Kells into the death of Peter Higgins, aged 60, a local labourer, who cut his throat in a shed at the rear of his house. He had been in poor health and depressed.

The Civil Service Association of Executive Officers will hold its annual general meeting this evening at 7.30 in the Dolphin Hotel, Dublin.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

BILLY PARISH WAR MEMORIAL.—At the morning service in Billy, Co. Antrim, Parish Church on Sunday the Primate dedicated a memorial tablet to the men of the congregation who fell in the war. There was a large attendance, including a number of ex-Servicemen. The memorial is a white marble tablet, bearing the following inscription:—"In honoured memory of the men of Billy Parish who gave their lives in the Great War, 1914-18." Then follow the names:—Charles Allan, John Cochrane, Thomas L. Craig, Johnston Kane, Thomas M'Conaghy, William M'Coubrey, Robert Moore, William Moore, Arthur Ross, Harry Stewart-Moore. "No words can express the measure of our thankfulness to you, our dead."

ANTRIM SHOW TO GO "DRY."—Antrim Agricultural Society Show is likely to be "dry" this year. After a discussion at the annual meeting of the Society a proposal that it should be suggested to the Committee that in future intoxicating liquor should not be sold inside the grounds was carried by eighteen votes to four. The President explained that the Society made very little out of liquor. The person who had the liquor tent paid £8 or £10, and it made a tremendous lot of trouble.

POTEEN INDUSTRY.—John Hutchinson, of Altaghushan, Pomeroy, was fined £20 at Dungannon yesterday for having an illicit distillery apparatus in his possession. His daughter, Mary, was summoned for making illicit spirits, but the Court was equally divided, and the case was marked "no rule." Peter Lindsay, Dungannon, Monaco, was fined £20 for having a "worm" part of a still in his possession. James Greaves, Fyfin, Glenmornan, Strabane, was fined £25 at Strabane for being in possession of illicit distillery apparatus and two gallons of poteen.

£100 FOR SLANDER.—Mrs. Mary Ellen Gribben, aged 22, a farmer's daughter, Lisladin, Cloughmills, was awarded £100 damages for slander at the Sheriff's Court in Belfast yesterday against Robert McAllister, a farmer's son, Omerbane, Co. Antrim, who did not appear.

A woman charged at Strabane yesterday with being drunk, said that she had taken "a few half-ones" merely as a cure for influenza. Fined 2s. 6d. and costs.

Thirteen young men who had attended a wake during "Curfew" hours without a permit were fined in 6d. and costs at Dungannon yesterday.

ENNIS ASYLUM.

OPENING OF OFFICIAL INQUIRY.

The affairs of Ennis Asylum were investigated yesterday by Mr. MacLysaght, who is conducting, on behalf of the Local Government Board, an inquiry into the administration of public bodies in County Clare.

Dr. Frank O'Mara, Resident Medical Superintendent, said that in 1914 the estimate was £11,594; in 1920, £37,591; in 1921, £32,627; in 1922, £47,700; in 1923, £41,718; and for 1924-1925 they had submitted an estimate for £24,166. The bill for wages and salaries had increased from £6,000 in 1920 to £10,403 in 1923.

The great increase in cost was due, he said, to the general rise in prices and wages. The average cost per head worked out at £24 10s. 6d. in 1914, and at £55 12s. 4d. in 1923. The total number of patients was 491, and, excluding officers, the staff consisted of 40 men and 38 women. In 1914 the staff numbered 57. A first-class male attendant was paid £105 per year with allowances, and a first-class female attendant £87 per year with allowances. There were 85 paying patients in the institution. The Committee had requested the Local Government Department to include in the new Local Government Bill a clause giving them power to compel relatives with means to pay for a patient's maintenance.

The Inspector, referring to the auditor's report, questioned the witness as to the position of Dr. J. W. Garry, Assistant Medical Officer.

The witness said Dr. Garry was officially attached to the National Army since last October. Prior to that he had been drawing two salaries, one from the institution and one from the Army. He was not at present drawing any salary from the institution.

The Inspector remarked that it seemed to be a very irregular transaction on Dr. Garry's part. He would like to have Dr. Garry before him in order to learn how much money he drew from the Army while in receipt of full pay as a whole-time official of the institution.

In cross-examination by Mr. Killeen, the witness said that some female attendants' salaries had been increased 500 or 600 per cent. as compared with what they were paid in 1914, but they had extraordinarily hard work to do.

The inquiry will be continued to-day.

NEW ISSUE.

UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA 5 P.C. INSCRIBED STOCK.

The Union of South Africa is making an offer of 5 per cent. Inscribed Stock (redeemable between 1933 and 1943) at 99 per cent. There is also an offer of conversion into the new Stock by holders of £4,000,000 4 per cent. Debentures maturing June 1 next. Holders of these Debentures who decide to convert will receive a cash payment of £1 per cent. on June 1 next, and a further payment of £1 10s. per cent., difference of interest, and they must lodge the prescribed forms of assent with the Debentures and relative coupons due June 1 at the head office of the Westminster Bank in London, and will receive in exchange fully-paid scrip, with coupon for 10s. per cent. attached. Debentures not converted will be paid off on June 2. There is a further offer of the 5 per cent. Stock sufficient to make up, with the Debentures converted, a total of £9,178,700

ELECTRIC POWER PRODUCTION.

DECISION OF DUBLIN CITY COUNCIL.

At a special meeting of the Dublin Corporation yesterday Mr. John Farren moved that the Council oppose the following bills, notice of the promotion of which, in the present session of the Oireachtas, had been given:—The Dublin Electricity Supply Bill, the East Leinster Electricity Supply Bill, the Irish Hydro and Peat Electric Power Bill; further, that all expenses incidental to the opposition to or approval of any or all of these measures be defrayed out of the Borough Fund and borough rate.

Mr. Farren expressed the belief that, if the Council were empowered to oppose these bills and to promote a bill of its own, they would be able after a little while to relieve the rates and supply their customers at a much cheaper rate than now.

Alderman Hubbard Clarke, who seconded, said he was hopeful that some arrangement would have been come to before that motion became necessary. He had tried to do what he could in the matter, but without success, and he thought they would be lacking in their duty as public representatives if they allowed a monopoly in the generation and distribution of electricity in the city by handing the production over to private individuals.

Alderman S. T. O'Kelly said that the resolution seemed rather wide in its terms.

Mr. Ignatius Rice, Law Agent, pointed out that it was necessary to have the resolution carried in such terms. The Council would never lose hold of its authority, and the matter would be conducted by a Committee of the Corporation that would authorise every step taken.

The resolution was passed unanimously.

Mr. John Farren moved a further resolution that it was expedient for the Council to promote, in the first available session of the Oireachtas, a bill for the following purposes: To amend and extend the powers of the Municipal Corporation of Dublin under the Electric Lighting Acts by authorising them (1) to utilise the water-power of the River Liffey and its tributaries for the generating of electricity; (2) to acquire compulsorily or by agreement such lands and buildings and such rights over lands and buildings, and to construct such dams, reservoirs, buildings, generating stations, and other works, and to provide, work, and use such machinery, transmission lines, transformer stations, distributing stations, and other matters and things as may be necessary for that purpose; (3) to supply electricity to other local authorities, companies, bodies, and persons in or adjoining the Counties of Dublin, Wicklow, and Kildare, in addition to their present area of supply; (4) to borrow such moneys as shall be necessary for the purposes of their enlarged undertaking; and (5) generally to exercise such powers as shall be necessary for that purpose and defined in the bill.

The resolution was passed unanimously, and the Council adjourned.

A COUNTY CLARE OUTRAGE.

MR. MACNAMARA'S AWARD.

Sir William Davison, having asked the Secretary for the Colonies whether he was aware that in November, 1923, the Wood-Renton Commission awarded Mr. Henry V. MacNamara the sum of £4,450 for his house at Doolan, County Clare, which had been burnt down in the year 1921, five per cent. interest on the above amount to accrue until the date of payment; whether he was aware that neither principal nor interest has yet been paid, and that there are many other cases still awaiting payment in the same way; and what action the Colonial Office proposes to take in the matter, having regard to the precise assurances which have been given by the British Government in respect of payment for property which has been destroyed,

Mr. Thomas writes—The answer to the first part of the question is in the affirmative. I am aware that in this and some other cases the Government of the Irish Free State has withheld payment of the sum awarded by the Commission, pending a settlement by the claimant of outstanding liability for income tax. If the claimant disputes his liability for income tax he should, of course, make representations to the Income Tax authorities in the usual manner, and Mr. MacNamara's solicitors have been so informed; but on the facts at present before me I see no ground for intervention by the Imperial Government. I should add that, in the meanwhile, the Irish Grants Committee has advanced £2,600 to Mr. MacNamara.

ENGINEERS AND THE FREE STATE.

FAITH IN ITS FUTURE.

The annual dinner of the Engineering and Scientific Society of Ireland was held yesterday evening in the Mills Hall, Merrion row, Dublin. The President, Mr. William Tatlow, occupied the chair.

The toast of "The King" having been duly honoured,

The President proposed "Success to the Free State." The ship of the Irish Free State, he said, was launched in a troubled sea, but, thanks to the skilful helmsmanship of the President, it had beaten its course into calmer waters, and all of them had a very confident hope that an era of peace and prosperity now lies before the country. (Applause.)

Mr. Darrell Figgis, T.D., responding, said that the position of the Irish Free State was recognised by her near neighbours, some of whom, he had reason to know, felt that the time was not far distant when they themselves would have to look to their laurels. The Free State had within it powers that its people scarcely suspected, and the moral of it was that they should look to themselves rather than to the Government to see that these powers and possibilities were realised. (Hear, hear.) They were inclined too much to think that everything should be done for them by the Government of the day. That was a view of public affairs which the people should be cautioned against. The responsibility for the success of the future lay upon the people themselves rather than upon the Government.

Mr. G. Marshall Harris proposed "Institutions and Kindred Associations." Although engineers had not the protection of the law, as other professions had, its members had, he said, as a safeguard in their conduct the opinion of their fellows, which was as binding a law as could be devised. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. G. P. Sheridan responded.

Mr. T. H. Hurst, of the Belfast Association of Engineers, also responded, and thanked the Association for having invited him to their dinner. It was an evidence that there was not an insuperable barrier between North and South. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. A. G. Bruty proposed the toast of the guests, to which Dr. Lombard Murphy responded.

Dr. Crowley, Consulting Engineer to the Free Sate Government, said that the Government were faced with many problems, the solution of which rested with the engineers. One condition of success was that there should be greater collaboration and greater union amongst engineers and architects. There would be plenty of work for them in the future. (Hear, hear.)

Professor Purcell proposed the health of the President (Mr. Tatlow), and, that gentleman having responded, the evening's proceedings concluded.

Among those present were:—Messrs. R. N. Tweedy, G. H. Sheridan, President of the Architects' Institution; T. J. Byrne, President of the Architects' Association; Dr. Lombard Murphy, President of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce; Mr. T. H. Hurst, Secretary Belfast Association of Engineers; Dr. J. F. Crowley, Senator James Moran, G. Marshall Harris, Darrell Figgis, G. McF. Gray, E. J. Smyth, G. Ridgeway, M.I.M.E.; W. H. Morton, do.; G. Pridgeon, H. Murphy, J. F. Dillon, T. J. Aston (past President), D. Frame, J. Frame, H. Dumbleton, T. Hempenstall, J. Hempenstall, R. Maude, L. R. Fraser, C. W. Sholdice, Captain M. H. Clarke, J. Deegan, D. O'B. McAteer, G. E. Shanahan (past President), A. E. Porte, J. Gibson, F. E. Smith, F. W. Parkes, A.M.I.E.E.; Lieut.-Colonel S. W. Carty, T. Thornton, F. Barrett, S. T. Robinson, E. A. Aston, H. R. Aston, B.A.I., M.I.C.E.; R. E. Young, M.I.C.E.I.; G. F. Pilditch, M.I.E.E.; G. Idle, M.I.N.A. (Hon. Treasurer); A. Richardson, W. Gardiner, J. G. Dixon, H. C. A. Thieme, A.M.I.C.E., A.M.I.M.E.; Lennox Braid, Irvine Lynch.

Letters of regret were received from:—The Governor-General, President Cosgrave, Lord Glenavy, the Provost of Trinity College, the President of University College, Dr. Conway, Mr. J. W. Bacon, Mr. T. J. Dowling, the Minister of Industry and Commerce, Mr. Mulligan, the President Belfast Association of Engineers, the Managing Director of Dublin Distillery Company, Engineer-Commander Sillince, R.N.; Mr. Denholm.

NORTH KILDARE HARRIERS' POINT-TO-POINT MEETING.

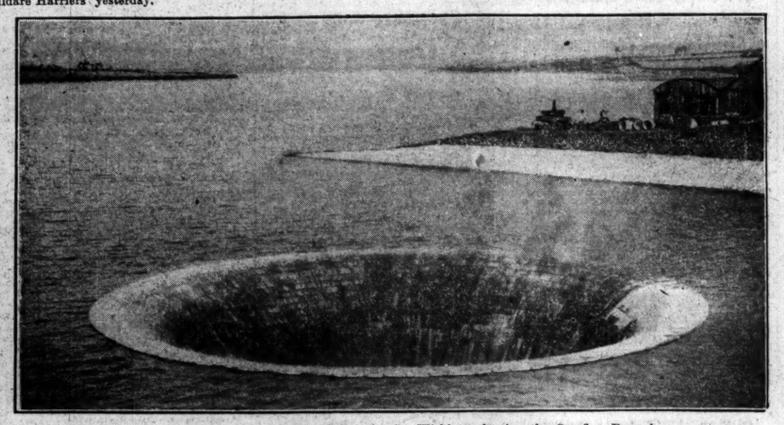
Finish of the Ladies' Race at the North Kildare Harriers' Point-to-Point Races.

General View of the Crowd at the Point-to-Point Meeting of the North Kildare Harriers yesterday.

Rough and Ready, ridden by Mr. P. Coonan, clearing a bank in the third race at the meeting of the North Kildare Harriers yesterday.

The Boys' Brigade Marching to the Theatre Royal, Dublin, where they gave their annual Demonstration on Saturday.

A. Gilmore, Winner of the Northern Senior Cross-Country Championship.



A View of the new Roundwood Reservoir, Co. Wicklow, showing the Overflow Funnel.

A View of the Northern Senior Cross-Country Championship at Belfast. The winner, A. Gilmore, is in the first five.

DROWNED ON THE GOODWINS.

STRANGE STORY AT AN INQUEST.

At the resumed inquest at St. Margaret's, Dover, yesterday, on one of the victims of the wreck of the ketch, Lord Hamilton, on the Goodwins, on February 12th, Thomas William Reid, coxswain of the Ramsgate lifeboat, stated that they got within ten yards, but could neither see nor hear anyone, and as the ketch's boat was missing they concluded that the crew had got away. They shouted and searched the sea for some distance around.

The Coroner—You say that you got within ten yards of the wreck, and yet, whatever you did, you must realise what a lamentable failure you made of it. There were three men in the rigging behind the sail. They looked at your boat, and regarded that as their only chance of life. The captain of the ketch, in his written statement, said that he waved his hands and shouted, saw you try to get your anchor, and then saw you set your sail and go away. Awful, isn't it?

The coxswain replied that they always did their best.

Summing up, the Coroner said that it was almost impossible to realise the awful feeling of despair that must have come over the men when they saw the lifeboat going away. The work of the lifeboatmen around our coasts was beyond all praise. The coxswain said that they did all they could, and that the fault lay with the men in the rigging not making their presence known. He was sure that the jury would accept that; for it was inconceivable that lifeboatmen would have gone away had they known that the men were there.

The jury returned a verdict of death by misadventure.

TOURIST ASSOCIATION.

BRANCH FORMED IN WATERFORD.

An important meeting of the Waterford Chamber of Commerce took place for the purpose of establishing a local branch of the Irish Tourist Association.

Mr. W. A. Merry, President, pointed out that Waterford was the gateway for the South of England traffic, and that a good many visitors to the Wembley Exhibition would pass through the city. A live association would be able to secure much English traffic.

Mr. J. P. O'Brien, Secretary, Irish Tourist Association, said that, in addition to offering an attraction to visitors, the object of the Association was to protect them in the matter of tariffs. The Association hoped, before the advent of the tourist season, to have caterers' lists and tariffs in the hands of the tourists. The question of road transport, which had a great bearing on tourist traffic, was being competently handled by the Munster Motor Association, whose President was a member of the Government Road Advisory Board.

A representative committee of the Chamber, with power to add to its numbers, was formed to carry out the project locally.

The Duke of Devonshire is confined to his room with a severe cold, but he expects to be able to go out in a few days.

LAND PURCHASE.

QUESTION OF COMPLETION.

Lieutenant-Colonel Howard-Bury, in the House of Commons yesterday, asked the Prime Minister whether it was still proposed to complete the land purchase in Northern Ireland, and to guarantee the principal and interest of bonds issued by the Government of the Irish Free State, under the Land Act recently passed in that Dominion.

Mr. Macdonald—I shall be obliged if the hon. and gallant member will postpone this question for about a fortnight, or perhaps for three weeks.

ROYAL IRISH ACADEMY.

LOSS SUSTAINED BY DEATH OF PROFESSOR O'SULLIVAN.

At a meeting of the Royal Irish Academy in Dublin yesterday, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:—

"That the members of the Royal Irish Academy, at this, their first meeting since the death of Professor Alexander Charles O'Sullivan, Senior Fellow, Trinity College, and Vice-President of the Academy, desire to place on record their profound sense of the loss sustained by the Academy, as well as by the University of Dublin, through the removal from amongst them of one so distinguished in the very varied fields of classical and mathematical scholarship and so eminent in the science of pathology.

"They beg to offer to Mrs. O'Sullivan and the other members of his family their most respectful sympathy in their bereavement."

A resolution was also passed expressing regret at the death of the Rev. William Delany, S.J.

INTERNED PRISONERS.

A procession organised by the Women's Prisoners' Defence League took place yesterday afternoon in Dublin. The processionists, who carried posters calling for the release of 1,200 prisoners said to be at present in jails in the Free State, visited various newspaper offices and exhibited the posters, which contained statements to the effect that prisoners were being notified of sentences of from two to twenty years' penal servitude, and that these prisoners were not permitted to have legal assistance.

DR. W. CUMMINS'S WILL.

Mr. William Edward Ashley Cummins, M.D., of 17 Patrick's place Cork, and of Woodville, Cork, Professor of the Practice of Medicine at University College, Cork, who died on 18th October last, aged 65 years, left personal estate in Great Britain of the gross value of £2,202 7s. 6d., with net personalty £2,187 19s. Probate of the will has been granted to his widow, Mrs. Jane Constable Cummins, of Woodville, and William Ashby Cummins, of Chesham, Bucks, son of the deceased.

DEATH OF MRS. SELFRIDGE.

Mrs. Selfridge, mother of Mr. Gordon Selfridge, died at the residence of her son, Lansdowne House, London, yesterday morning. She only arrived in London from America on Saturday.

TRADE UNIONISM IN DERRY.

A SERIOUS POSITION.

A conflict between two trades unions is likely to lead to serious trouble in the Derry shirt and collar factories. The unions concerned are the Garment Workers and the Female Factory Workers' branch of the Amalgamated Society of Tailors and Tailoresses, and the dispute centres round the question of the unions to which the workers will belong.

Last week the Garment Workers' Union issued a manifesto requesting all factory operatives to join the Union within 48 hours, failing which the work that they produced would be considered "tainted goods," not to be handled by trade union labour.

Subsequently the Executive Council of the Amalgamated Society of Tailors and Tailoresses issued a warning to the workers to disregard the ultimatum, which they characterised as "a shot at dawn threat." They advised the workers to take no notice of the threat and to continue members of the Tailors' and Tailoresses' Society.

As a counterblast to this the Garment Workers' Union called a special meeting of the cutters belonging to their body, at which the following resolution was passed:—

"That this meeting of cutters, members of the Garment Workers' Union, pledge themselves to give full support, and, if necessary, make sacrifice, to uphold the policy of our officials in dealing with the non-unionists. We will, when called upon, refuse to cut work for any workers who refuse to join our Union, believing that our welfare now and in the future depends on the complete organisation of the industry."

ALLEGED "HOLD-UP."

EXCITING ADVENTURE FOR BOOKMAKER AND CLERK.

In the Dublin Police Courts yesterday, Philip Kennedy, 6 St. Patrick's terrace, North King street, was returned for trial to the Criminal Sessions, charged with conspiring with another man, not in custody, to rob a bookmaker and his clerk.

It appeared that John McFarland, bookmaker, 6 Eccles street, and Michael Mulcahy, bookmaker's clerk, 4 Charlotte place, Drumcondra, arrived at the Broadstone from Mullingar some time after 11 o'clock on the night of the 24th January. They were passing along Palmerston place, when a call of "hands up" was heard. Turning round they saw two men, one of whom fired a revolver shot over their heads. The second man then searched them, but found nothing worth taking away.

Kennedy was identified in Court yesterday as the man who carried the revolver. It was sworn that he wore a fawn trench coat and grey cap, and that his companion wore a black nap coat and leggings.

Mr. Conor Maguire, B.L. (instructed by Mr. Sean O h-Uadhaigh) defended.

Thousands of ladies keep a box of Martin's Pills in the house. Those who use them recommend them, hence their enormous sale. Price 5s. Sold by all Chemists and Stores; or post free from Proprietors, Martin, Chemists, Southampton.—(Advt.)

PROPERTY LOSSES.

AWARDS BY RECORDER OF DUBLIN.

Awards made by the Recorder of Dublin on claims for compensation under the Damage to Property Act yesterday totalled £5,500.

An award of £2,000 was made in the case of Mrs. Violet Ashley, trading as H. Roe McMahon, on account of fittings, furniture and photographic apparatus destroyed at the firm's Sackville street premises.

Other awards were—Mr. James Lawlor, works manager, Messrs. Thwaites and Co., for furniture and personal effects destroyed in his rooms on the firm's premises in Upper Sackville street, £485; Mr. Edward Kelly, for damage to machinery at his works, 11-13 Foley street, £420; Messrs. Gallagher and Sons, tobacco manufacturers, for Ford delivery van and stock seized by persons said to represent a "Belfast Boycott" Committee, £310; Signor Antonio Radaoni, managing director, Irish Italian Trading Co., for property destroyed at the Gresham Hotel, including a self portait by Angelica Kaufmann, £2000; Messrs. Tyler and Sons, for damage to property, £124; Mrs. Elizabeth Kerr, for damage to property in Talbot street, £140; and Mr. John A. Trueman, draughtsman, 14 St. Andrew street, damage to photographic apparatus, fittings, etc., through the explosion at Mr. McGarry's shop, £125.

Two women employés of the Edinburgh Hotel were awarded £150 each for loss of property, and several persons who suffered loss through the destruction of Messrs. Thwaites' premises were reported for compensation. Other claims were for travellers' samples destroyed in hotel stockrooms.

Mr. Robert Norman was awarded £10 10s. for clothes injured by bullet holes and blood when he was caught in an ambush and wounded in Harcourt street.

An award of £42 was made for loss of clothing and other property in a trunk belonging to two girls named Murphy, of Classon, Athlone, who had sent the trunk from the Loretto Convent School, Dalkey, to their aunt's house in Talbot street, where they were going to spend part of their holidays.

CLARE CONSPIRACY CASE.

At the Dublin Commission yesterday George O'Dea, of Newmarket-on-Fergus, Co. Clare, who was found guilty last week at the Commission of conspiring to prevent the sale of premises at Newmarket-on-Fergus, was dealt with under the First Offenders Act. A sentence of nine months' imprisonment with hard labour was recorded against him, not to be enforced if he kept the peace for three years.

A MOSAIC OF ST. PATRICK.

Mr. T. P. O'Connor, M.P., has been requested by the Speaker of the House of Commons to preside at the unveiling of the mosaic of St. Patrick in the outer Lobby of the House of Commons at 11.30 a.m. on St. Patrick's Day.

Captain Roscoe, Commander of the Mauretania, has been appointed Royal Naval Reserve *Aide-de-Camp* to the King.

New British Record by a 'CLARENDO' fed Heifer

Gross Milk Profit of £93 15s 0d in 47 weeks, and a £100 Calf.

"Stormont Belle."

Extract from "The Irish Breeder."

"Stormont Belle" (British Friesian), the property of Jas. Caldwell, Esq., Bellahill House, Ballycarry, was bred by Chas. Allen, Esq., late of Stormont Castle, Belfast. She was born on 23rd August, 1920, and calved on the 2nd October, 1922. From that date till her third birthday she gave 16,165lbs. of milk which averaged 3.328 of butter fat. She was served by Mr. M'Veigh's 2,000 Gallon Double Dairy Friesian Bull, and is due to calve again first week in November. "Stormont Belle" has, therefore, created a British record for two-year-old heifers.

Mr. Caldwell bought her at Mr. Allen's Auction as a calf, and has fed her ever since on "CLARENDO."

During the 47 weeks' trial, which has been certified correct by the Supervisor of the Ballycarry Cow Testing Association (under the supervision of the Ministry of Agriculture), she was milked three times per day and made a gross profit (in milk sold to the B.B. Co-Operative Buttermilk Dairy) of £93 15s. 0d. (1,616 gallons of milk at 1/2 per gallon). She also produced a heifer calf, for which Mr. Caldwell was offered £100 when it was 6 weeks old. "Belle" is large for her age, is made on beef lines, and she kept her condition all through her milking period.

The following is an account of the food she ate, etc., during the 47 weeks:

CLARENDO (10 lbs. per day) and occasional other cereals	£18	15	0
Hay	6	0	0
Grass	5	0	0
Roots	3	0	0
Attendance	10	0	0
	£42	15	0
Credit Manure	7	15	0
Net cost of keep	£35	0	0
Take this from gross receipts	£93	15	0
Leaves net profit on milk	£58	15	0

"Stormont Belle" produced 537.7lbs. of butter fat, equal to 672.45lbs. butter, or an average of 14.30lbs. of butter each week of the 47.

This is also A NEW BUTTER RECORD for a British or Irish two-year-old heifer.

We congratulate Mr. Caldwell on being the owner of such a splendid animal and Messrs. White, Tomkins, & Courage, Ltd., for producing such a successful feeding stuff.

Give them 'Clarendo'

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BROSNAN MURDER.

TWO O'SHEAS DISCHARGED FROM CUSTODY.

Sergeant Michael O'Shea and Volunteer Michael O'Shea, both of whom, it will be remembered, were acquitted at the Dublin Commission recently of the murder of Thomas Brosnan, appeared before Mr. Justice Pim at the Commission yesterday.

Mr. Carrigan, K.C., for the State, said that he was authorised to say that the verdict acquitting these men had been accepted. A *nolle prosequi* would accordingly be entered in each case.

Mr. Justice Pim, addressing the O'Sheas, said that they had stood in imminent peril of their lives. He was prepared to discharge them if they entered into recognisances to keep the peace for three years.

Both men gave the required undertaking and they were discharged.

TO GET CIGARETTES.

ALLEGED LOITERER'S USE FOR TOY REVOLVER.

In the Dublin Police Courts yesterday, before Mr. Cooper, K.C., Charles Geraghty, whose address was given as 74 Lower Mount street, was remanded, charged with loitering at Tritonville road, Sandymount, for the purpose of committing a felony, and with resisting arrest.

A man named Byrne said that he was walking along Tritonville road on Sunday night, when he met the defendant, and asked him for a light for his cigarette. The defendant took a toy revolver from his pocket, and said he was "out" for cigarettes and lights for himself. On being arrested by detectives, assisted by the witness, he resisted violently.

When charged, the accused admitted that the toy pistol was his, and that he had it for the purpose of frightening people into giving him cigarettes.

SINFUL DANCING.

STRONG DENUNCIATION BY GALWAY PREACHER.

The purpose of this modern dancing was not good; it went for the corruption of souls, the corruption and strangling of the word of God, and the corruption of the hearts and souls of our young people.

This striking statement was made by the Very Rev. Father Chrysostom, O.F.M., preaching at the Abbey Church, Galway, on Sunday. He added that he might go farther and say that the dances now in vogue were direct incentives to sensuality and sin. Which, he asked, was the more sinful, the negro who danced his savage dance, or the so-called civilised Western people who had adopted that dance?

There could be no objection to dances which were in accordance with the dictates of decency, and which were sanctioned by Christianity, "but these camel and other trots," he declared, "are nothing but sinful."

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GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE

GOOD RACING AT DERBY.

PHACO WINS DERBYSHIRE 'CHASE.

OUTSIDERS SCORE HEAVILY.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

DERBY, Monday Night.

To offset the wretched weather here this afternoon, there was some quite good sport, the race for the Derbyshire Handicap Steeplechase being specially interesting. It was won cleverly by Lord Westmorland's Phaco, who beat Harrismith by three-quarters of a length. The latter, who was favourite, found the course a little too sharp, and he came rather late on the scene. Phaco had been jumping like a cat, and had a great advantage at the last fence, before which he had headed Winter Voyage, so he was able to shake off the challenge of Harrismith. Jack Anthony rode Ballinode here, and Mr. Bentley's useful mare finished fourth. She jumped big and well, and her performance may be regarded as quite a satisfactory one. Cloneree was making up ground rapidly in the straight, but destroyed his chance by a mistake. National candidates who finished behind Ballinode were All White, Penceed, and Wavetown.

The afternoon saw a victory for one of Coulthwaite's National horses. This was Major Robinson's Templescoby, who, it will be remembered, was awarded the National Hunt Steeplechase last year on the disqualification of Duke's Walk. He was put about as a Hednesford good thing, and was backed down to 2 to 1, to the exclusion of most of the others. If he did not win like the certainty he was supposed to be, Moylan, who rode him, had a length and a half to spare at the finish from the rank outsider, Time Enough, the mount of Maloney.

Moylan timed his challenge very neatly on Templescoby, and caught Time Enough just in time to gain a victory that can be described as more clever than easy. Another long-priced outsider in Have a Care was third, while such as Nitric, Colestown, Potheen, and Northbrook were behind. Templescoby was receiving a good deal of weight, so the form may not amount to a great deal.

ONLY ONE FAVOURITE WINS.

Templescoby was the only favourite of the day to score, for some of the winners, such as Court Bleddyn, 100 to 8; Strike Breaker, 100 to 8, and Duncher, 100 to 6, made no appeal to the public. I confess to having been astonished to see Duncher win the Stayers' Handican Hurdle by three lengths and a neck from Murky Past and Red Conrad. Several times during this winter I have selected him in this column to win hurdle races over a distance of ground, but, after he had tailed himself off right from the start, and Hogan had pulled him up when they had gone half-way in his last race it was one that I seemed to have good reason for ignoring him here. Escott rode him, and, challenging between the last two flights, he landed him a comparatively easy winner.

There was an objection to him lodged immediately afterwards on what are described as "technical grounds." This has been referred to the Stewards of the National Hunt Committee. Duncher, who used to be owned by Mr. Campbell Russell, whose husband is so well known in Ireland as well as in England, has since been transferred to Captain Brady. Mr. Campbell Russell not long ago advertised his horses for sale in the *Racing Calendar*.

TONS OF MONEY FAILS AGAIN.

Coulthwaite ran Lord Derby's Cleinturon in the Hamilton Handicap, and the horse was greatly fancied, though Tons of Money, who is now trained and was ridden here by Mr. Frank Brown, was as good a favourite. The Heimesford horse may have been unlucky not to have won, for he was in the lead when he fell at the last hurdle. After this Woolley Bridge went on to win a good race from the Lincolnshire candidate, Legend, who cost his owner more than two thousand guineas at Newmarket not long ago, and was regarded as one of the dearest purchases of the December sales. Tons of Money ran very badly.

To-morrow's card looks a little thin, but some useful hurdlers may be seen out in the Doveridge Handicap, in which I must give another chance to BARRACKTON LAD. Merrily and Duller's mount, Clackmannan, are a pair who should do well in this race. Killucan ran badly to-day, and may not be started for the Four-Year-Old Hurdle Handicap, which may be won by AGINCOURT, THE SAINT IV., a useful old plater, may win the Quarndon Selling Steeplechase.

GALTEE MORE.

BETTING FORECAST.

DERBY.

1.45 Race.—11 to 4 agst. Derravaragh, 4 to 1 Tommy Long, 5 to 1 Repaid, 6 to 1 Ground Scout, 7 to 1 Konky, 8 to 1 Pabulum, 10 to 1 each Ilderton and Prolific, 12 to 1 each La Corona and Sunsama, 100 to 6 any other.

2.15 Race.—9 to 4 agst. White House, 7 to 2 The Saint IV., 4 to 1 Aiken Drum, 11 to 2 Con Cregan, 7 to 1 Craggie Rock, 8 to 1 Oonskirk, 10 to 1 Castle in Spain, 100 to 8 any other.

2.45 Race.—5 to 2 agst. Palm Ring, 7 to 2 Fairy Hill II., 9 to 2 Mister Dooley, 11 to 2 Ashwood, 7 to 1 Hopeful, 8 to 1 each Upper Rithduff and Chakrata, 10 to 1 each Clifton Linker and Gay Hazard, 100 to 8 Seti the First, 100 to 7 any other.

3.15 Race.—5 to 2 agst. Annam, 3 to 1 Wild Times, 5 to 1 Indelible, 7 to 1 Hackdaile, 8 to 1 each Glorioso and Our Ben, 10 to 1 each Ballvalton and Little Christy, 100 to 8 Bill Murphy, 100 to 7 any other.

3.45 Race.—11 to 4 agst. Envoy, 7 to 2 Merrily, 9 to 2 Old Times, 6 to 1 Barcedo, 7 to 1 Tedney, 8 to 1 each Jacksdale and Waterford Glass, 10 to 1 each Sancroft and Black Arrow, 100 to 8 Garrett, 100 to 7 any other.

4.15 Race.—7 to 4 agst. Agincourt, 3 to 1 Noir, 5 to 1 Manister Star, 6 to 1 Sun's Way, 7 to 1 Magic Flower, 8 to 1 Rosemary, 10 to 1 each Mazoe and Indigo, 100 to 8 any other.

"FORM" HORSES.

DERBY.

1.45—Tommy Long.
2.15—White House.
2.45—Mister Dooley.
3.15—Annam.
3.45—Merrily.
4.15—Noir.
DOUBLE.—White House (nap) and Merrily.

A Student of Form.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Daily Mirror:—Double — Merrily and Indigo (nap).
Daily Express:—Double—Merrily and Agincourt.
Daily Graphic:—Double — Fairy Hill II. and Envoy.
Daily Express:—Double — The Saint IV. and Wild Times. Safety bet—The Saint IV.
Daily Chronicle:—Double — White House and Barcedo. "To Beat the Book"—Barcedo.
Westminster Gazette:—To-day's best — Clackmannan. Double—The Saint IV. and Clackmannan.
Daily Mail:—Special selection—Tedney.

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DERBY RESULTS.

1.45—SAWLEY HURDLE RACE (5), £150. Second £5. 2 m.

Mr. T. Hooley's ch. g. COURT BLEDDYN, by Llangibby—Sweet Rosalind, a, 12-0 ..... R. Tidey 1
Mr. G. Bennett's TELEPATHY, 6, 12-0 ..... G. Duller 2
Mr. F. Sharp's GLORIOSO, 6, 12-0...R. Phillip 3
Also ran—Divinity (T. Moreau), Navan Boy (Owner), Regicles (Saunders), Son o' Lomond (J. Hogan, jun.), Louvima (J. Anthony), Lucky Prince (A. Smith), Dinah Desmond (P. O'Hara), Follow My Leader (Mr. Stedman), Tibwick (G. Dillon), Royal Sport (Mr. Chapman), Fetish (Watkinson). Off 1.44. (Winner trained by Orbell.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. Telepathy, 5 to 1 Son o' Lomond, 6 to 1 each Regicles and Louvima, 10 to 1 each Divinity and Navan Boy, 100 to 8 COURT BLEDDYN or any other.

Won by three lengths; one length. Dinah Desmond and Tibwick fell.

The winner was bought in for 150 gns.

2.15—SELLING STEEPLECHASE H'CAP, £150. Second £5. 2 m.

Mr. F. Burroughs's ch. g. STRIKE BREAKER, by Rodney—Marinella, a, 11-7...R. Philip 1
Mr. H. Adams's FLY BOY II., a, 11-7 ..... T. Moreau 2
Capt. Cunard's SMASHAWAY, a, 11-7 ..... J. Hogan, jun. 3
Also ran—Camelot (Watkinson), Strolling Knight (Mr. Chapman), Lord Kinnaird (G. Stott), Henri Martin (A. Escott), Commander Smith (T. Maloney), Jargoon (Wilkinson), Edens—Grena (L. Rees), Enchanted Duke (Rimsdale). Off 2.34. (Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—15 to 8 agst. Commander Smith, 4 to 1 Fly Boy II., 5 to 1 each Strike Breaker and Smashaway, 8 to 1 Henri Martin, 100 to 8 STRIKE BREAKER or any other.

Won by two lengths; a bad third. Commander Smith and Strolling Knight fell.

The winner was bought in for 185 gns.

2.45—DERBYSHIRE STEEPLECHASE HANDICAP, £300. Second £20, third £10. 3 m.

Lord Westmorland's ch. h. PHACO, by Phaleron —Comarite, h, 12-2 ..... Foster 1
Col. Birkin's HARRISMITH, a, 12-5 F. Brookes 2
Mr. T. Oakshott's WINTER VOYAGE, a, 10-10 ..... Wheelahan 3
Mr. Bentley's Ballinode, aa, 12-5...J. R. Anthony 4
Mr. C. Ismay's Garryvoe, a, 12-2...C. A. Rees 0
Mrs. A. Blain's Clonree, a, 12-2...J. Hogan, jun. 0
Lord Wavertree's All White, a, 11-8.....Tighe 0
Lt.-Col. Phillips's Penceed, a, 11-7 ..... M. D. Thomas 0
Mr. A. Hood's Wavetown, a, 11-5.....Woodhy 0
Mr. F. Layton's Garranlin, a, 10-4...Maloney 0
Mr. W. Black's Olivego, a, 10-9.....Tredgill 0
Capt. J. Brown's Red Turk, a, 10-9.....Keogh 0
Off 2.45.

(Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Harrismith, 4 to 1 Clonree, 6 to 1 PHACO, 7 to 1 Ballinode, 8 to 1 Garryvoe, 10 to 1 Wavetown, 100 to 8 bar six.

The running was made by Winter Voyage from Penceed, Harrismith, Wavetown, Garranlin, and Phaco. Half-way Gardenrath went on second, in front of Phaco, Penceed, and Clonree. Rounding the straight Phaco took second place, and drawing to the front between the last two fences, won by three-parts of a length from Harrismith, who was second and third. Ballinode was fourth and Red Turk fifth.

3.15—ELVASTON S'CHASE H'CAP, £100. Second £10. 2m.

Major Robinson's br. g. TEMPLESCORY, by Mountain Worksop, a, 10-5 ..... Moylan 1
Mr. H. Beeby's TIME ENOUGH, a, 9-9 ..... J. Maloney 2
Mr. J. Lyall's HAVE A CARE, a, 10-5...Lyall 3
Also ran—Shenston (Waudby), Potheen (A. Escott), Nitric (Tighe), Colestown (Prentice), Morris Rivers (Morcau), Progress (E. Foster), Lochar (Rouch), Hookwood (Braithwaite), The Shelk (Jelley), Northbrook (Duller), Hardcore (Butfield), Duffy Doll (Mr. T. Bird), Late Earl (Chipperfield), Bulgadu (Regan), Master Patkin (Mr. P. Bowen). Off 3.15. (Winner trained by Coulthwaite.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst. TEMPLESCORY, 7 to 1 Hookwood, 8 to 1 each Nitric and Progress, 10 to 1 each Lochar, Potheen and Northbrook, 20 to 1 any other.

Won by a length and a half; five lengths.

3.45—STAYERS' HURDLE H'CAP, £150. Second £10. 2½ m.

Capt. Brady's ch. g. DUNCHER, by Kosmos Boy—Whitebait, a, 11-0 ..... A. Escott 1
Mr. L. Osborne's MURKY PAST, 5, 10-0 ..... Lyall 2
Mr. Crossman's RED CONRAD, 5, 11-5 G. Duller 3
Also ran—Just for Luck (F. Wootton), Bialbek (A. Vasey), Perry Hill (T. Leader), Snaffle Ash (T. Jones), Keep Cool (J. Mahoney, sen.), Wise Prince (M. Dillon), Euphony (Waudby), Kiwi (G. Piggott), Premium Bond (Tidey), Jim Langford (J. Hogan, jun.), Vishnu (Colbert), Rousham (Mr. P. Roberts). Off at 4.5 sec. (Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—100 to 30 agst. Red Conrad, 4 to 1 Kiwi, 9 to 2 Bialbek, 6 to 1 Jim Langford, 7 to 1 Murky Past, 8 to 1 each Just for Luck and Perry Hill, 100 to 6 DUNCHER or any other.

Won by three lengths; a neck. Bialbek fell. An objection has been lodged to the winner on the ground that he is managed by an alleged disqualified person. The matter will be referred to the Stewards of the National Hunt.

4.15—OSMASTON HURDLE RACE, £100. Second £5. 2 m.

Mr. H. Rhodes' ch. g. WOOLLEY BRIDGE, by Bridge of Earn—Ashboro', 5, 11-3 A. Smith 1
Mr. J. M'Leon's LEGEND, 4, 10-7...Watkinson 2
Mr. T. Davidson's LONE I'LM, 5, 11-3 ..... Moreau 3

Brailthwaite 3
Clackmannan, Double—The Saint IV. and Clackmannan.
Daily Mail:—Special selection—Tedney.

Also ran—Main Royal (R. Hart), Centurion (S. Dullen), Indian Gutter (Mr. Bligh), Sandstone (Mr. Gunter), North End (F. Rees), Loch Fyne (M. Dillon), Tons of Money (Mr. F. A. Brown), Larthage (F. Wootton), Bonne Race (Mr. A. Leader), Trusty (Scott), Good Opinion (Croney), Killucan (A. Escott), End Over End (G. Brooks), Gunhild (Waudby). Off at 4.40. (Winner trained by Coldbeck.)

Betting—4 to 1 each agst. Centurion and Tons of Money, 5 to 1 each WOOLLEY BRIDGE, Loch Fyne, and Bonne Race, 6 to 1 Legend, 10 to 1 Killucan, 20 to 1 any other.

Won by three lengths; six lengths End Over End and Centurion fell.

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS.

Another formidable-looking card from the point of view of the subscription list is fixed up for the concluding afternoon of the meeting, but the prize list is extremely moderate, and the call upon the race fund will be very light. The principal stake is the Doveridge Hurdle Race of 250 sovs., for which Coulthwaite holds a strong hand, but several of his chargers which are engaged have been waiting for Cheltenham. However, the selected of the stable for this race will assuredly run forward. A substantial penalty for winning at Newbury last week appears to place Firing Line out of court. At any rate, he will be asked to do in his best form to concede 14lb. to Old Times. After carefully analysing the respective weights, Barcedo, Old Times, and Clackmannan seems a likely trio to furnish the winner here, and Clackmannan's runaway win at Bromford Bridge stamps him as a very useful animal just now. A deal of local interest will centre in the running for the Hunters' Steeplechase, which, although worth but 80 sovs. to the successful owner, attracted no fewer than forty-seven nibblers at 2 sovs. apiece. A glance through the entry discloses the presence of several pretty warm "hunters," H. Brown's hand being particularly strong. Selections:—

Spondon Handicap—**Knockanour.**
Quarndon Steeplechase—**The Saint IV.**; if absent, **Craggie Rock.**
Hunters' Steeplechase — **Coulthwaite's selected.**
Rangemore Steeplechase—**Annam.**
Doveridge Hurdle—**Clackmannan.**
Four-Year-Old Hurdle—**Agincourt** or **Rosemary.**

1.45—SPONDON HURDLE HANDICAP (5), £300. Second £5. 2 m. Age. st. lb.

TOMMY LONG (Mr. T. Greenwood) .Moss 5 12 5
PROLIFIC (Mr. F. Hartigan) ....Hartigan 4 11 12
KONKY (Mr. W. Whiteman) ....Burns a 11 8
SHIREOAKS (Mr. H. Rhodes) ...Coldbeck 5 11 5
PARULEM (Mr. G. Parry) .....Lutz 5 11 5
UNCLE DAVID (Major Power) .....Lutz 5 10 12
KNOCKANOUR (Mr. T. Bradley) .....Knowles 6 10 7
LA CORONA (Mr. J. McLean) ...McGuigan 6 10 0
(The above have arrived.)
DESPARD (Mr. J. Colt) .....Earl 5 12 7
ILDERTON (Mr. P. Thrale) .....Burns a 11 8
ELSON (Mr. G. Unwin) .....Smallwood a 12 3
REPAID (Mr. W. Needham) .....Saxby 5 11 13
JACK ROLE (Mr. J. Goding) .....Orbell a 11 13
TURMERIC (Mr. H. Dennis)...D. Harrison 6 11 11
OCTABELLA'S PRIDE (Mr. S., Morris) .....Vasey 5 11 10
PHAROAH (Miss Coulman) .....Biste 5 11 10
BARNABY RUDGE (Sir W. Chirotti) .....E. Piggott 5 11 9
TRANSFORM (Mr. J. Barry) .....Powell a 11 8
BEG MAJOR (Mr. T. Richardson) ...Doyle a 11 5
GLEN EAGLE (Mr. T. Edge) ...G. Poole a 11 5
DUTCH TOY (Mr. W. Whiteman) .....Duller a 11 5
STAND ASIDE (Mr. W. Parrish) .....McMorran 5 11 5
DERRAVARAGH (Mr. E. Stanley) .....Hastings 5 11 4
LANGSIDE (Mr. J. McLean) ...McGuigan 5 11 3
SILENT SANDS (Mr. S. McMorran) .....McMorran a 11 3
GROUND SCOUT (Mr. H. A. Brown) .....H. Brown 6 11 3
HOO (Mr. Weeden) .....Bird a 10 12
THE BAILIFF (Mr. A. Walker) .....S. Bennett 4 11 1
ALIADOS (Mr. H. Marks) .....Gilbert 6 11 1
SHAUN ABOO (Mr. J. Parkinson) .....Parkinson a 11 0
GREAT DAYS (Mr. L. Cundell) ...Cundell 5 10 12
WEE MON (Mr. J. Boyle) .....Sheddon a 10 12
CHUCK A PENNY (Mr. F. Kimberley) .....Bullock 6 10 12
BLOCKHEAD (Mr. T. Greenwood) .....Moss 10 0

SELECTIONS FOR THIS DAY'S DERBY MEETING

PAPER.	1.45 RACE.	2.15 RACE.	2.45 RACE.	3.15 RACE.	3.45 RACE.	4.15 RACE.
Sportsman	Repaid.	Craggie Rock.	Fairy Hill II.	Annam.*	Envoy.	Noir.
Man on the Spot	Konky.	Craggie Rock.	Mister Dooley.	Annam.	Barcedo.	Young Heroine.
Sporting Life	Repaid.	Castle in Spain.	Hopeful.	Annam.	Tedney.	Agincourt.*
Man on the Spot	Pharoah.	Craggie Rock.	Fairy Hill II.	Annam.	Rock Arrow.	Agincourt.*
Westminster Gazette	Derravaragh.	The Saint IV.	Flying Laddie; if ab., Ashwood.	Rletsoe's selected.	Clackmannan.	Agincourt.
Daily News	Repaid.	Craggie Rock.	Mister Dooley.	Annam.	Merrily.*	Agincourt.
Daily Chronicle	Pabujun.	White House.*	Ashwood.	Fariray.	Barcedo.	Noir.
Daily Express	Ground Scout; if ab., Pabulum.	The Saint IV.*	Fairy Hill II.; if ab., H. Brown's selected.	Wild Times (next best).	Merrily; if ab., Tedney.	Agincourt; if ab., Noir.
Daily Mirror	Transform.	Craggie Rock.	Mister Dooley.	Annam.	Merrily.	Indigo.
Daily Graphic	Duncathra.	The Saint IV.	Fairy Hill II.*	Annam.	Envoy.	Rosemary; if ab., Noir.
Star	Derravaragh.	The Saint IV.	Mister Dooley.	Hackdaile.	Merrily.*	Rosemary.
Evening News	Great Days.	Craggie Rock.*	Hopeful.	Jacksdale.	Barcedo.*	Agincourt.
Evening Standard	Pabulum.	Aiken Drum.	Sporty Boyce.	Wild Times.	Merrily.	Noir.
Times	Repaid.	White House.	Coulthwaite's best.	Fariray; if ab., Annam.	Coulthwaite's best.	Agincourt.
Daily Mail	Pabulum.	The Saint IV.	Mister Dooley.	Annam.	Tedney.	Leeds United.

POINT-TO-POINT.

NORTH KILDARE HARRIERS.

The North Kildare Harriers held their annual Point-to-Point at Windgates, in the Maynooth Celbridge country yesterday, and provided a huge gathering with a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon's sport. Runners were plentiful, and there were several fine finishes, that for the Bracelet Stakes between Mrs. A. Wall's Jem Mooney and Mrs. F. Blacker's Fizz being a particularly interesting act-to. At one period, about half-a-mile from home, Fizz, who up to that point had made most of the running, attended by Jem Mooney, looked like defeating the favourite, being then well clear of Mrs. Wall's mount, but a mistake soon after lost him a lot of ground. Mrs. Wall then sent dem Mooney along, and riding a very fine race she gained the verdict by several lengths. Another capital race, with an even more exciting finish, was that in which Capt. H. de Burgh put Lady Eadestown home for the Hunt Race. Lady Eadestown almost extinguished her chances by pecking at the last fence, and the race looked a good thing for Mr. F. Colgan's Adam but Capt. de Burgh persevered on the favourite, and got up to win on the post. The Light-Weight Race was practically confined to Ginger Nut and Rough and Ready, who had it all to themselves half a mile from the end. Rough and Ready jumped the last fence slightly in front of Mr. McDermott's mount, but she failed to stay up the hill, and Ginger Nut beat her by a couple of lengths. The Heavy-Weight Race was won in a canter by Mrs. Isaac Bell's Starlight. Details:—

HUNT RACE—Weights, 13st. Any horse or mare under Rules of Racing or National Hunt Rules. 9lb. extra. About 3 miles.

Capt. H. de Burgh's ch. m. LADY EADES-TOWN, 7, 13-7 ..... Owner 1
Mr. F. Colgan's ADAM, aged ..... Owner 2
Colonel Brabazon-Naven's BANNERETTE, aged ..... Owner 3

Also ran—Mr. L. F. Ball's Winter Night, 6 yrs. (Mr. R. Ball); Mr. L. F. Ball's Bracelet, 5 yrs. (Owner); Captain Brooke's Brass Bullet, aged (Mr. G. T. Brooke).

Won by a neck; four lengths. Winter Night was fourth.

FARMERS' RACE, value £80. Weights, 12st. About 2 miles.

Mr. M. Quinn's br. g. IRISH BOY II., aged ..... Mr. C. Harty 1
Mr. W. Murray's CUP O' PUNCH, 7 yrs. ..... Mr. W. Colgan 2
Mr. J. A. Farrell's CORLESTOWN ..... Mr. H. McKeever 3

Also ran—Mr. C. Brady's Look Out (Mr. R. J. Ball), Mr. R. Brady's Antiphone (Owner), Mr. P. Monahan's Ginger Court (Owner), Mr. P. Connolly's Mitty (Owner), Mr. F. Mangan's Black Bess (Mr. J. Mangan), Mr. F. Colgan's Berry Hill (Owner), Mr. Monahan's Blair (Mr. H. Kirwan), Mr. F. Duffy's Osborne's Alice Whitethorn (Mr. P. J. Osborne), Mr. J. H. Wallace's McGinty's Goat (Owner), Mr. E. Kennedy's Selsa (Mr. S. H. Dennis), Mr. F. Duffy's Bill's Mott (Mr. W. Bobbett), Mr. J. J. Rooney's Silver Stream (Owner), Mr. P. Berney's Jack Johnson (Mr. P. Berney).

Won by two lengths; twenty lengths. Bill's Mott was fourth.

BRACELET STAKES—To be ridden by ladies. Catch weights, over 11st. Winners extra. About 3 miles.

Mrs. Isaac Bell's br. g. JEM MOONEY, aged, 11-10 ..... Owner 1
Mrs. F. Blacker's FIZZ, aged, 11-10 ..... Owner 2
Mr. H. M. Kennedy's LADY BLIGHT, aged, 11-10 ..... Miss E. Kenny 3

Also ran—Miss Lawlor's Two in the Morning (Miss H. Flanagan), Mrs. Baggot's Billy (Owner), Miss P. Wall's The Flirt (Owner), Mrs. W. Flanagan's Goeland (Miss E. Holmes).

Won by four lengths; forty lengths. Billy was fourth.

HEAVY-WEIGHT OPEN RACE—About 3 miles. Mrs. Isaac Bell's br. g. STARLIGHT, aged, 14-0 ..... Captain J. J. Barry 1
Mr. F. Mangan's GAME BOY, 5 yrs. ..... Mr. P. Osborne 2
Mr. J. W. Osborne's THE QUACK, aged ..... Mr. P. J. Osborne 3

Also ran—Captain H. J. Cullen's Dolan (Mr. E. J. Ball), Mr. E. Corcoran's Brehon Lee (owner), Mr. P. Austin's Sherry Mount (Mr. H. J. Rooney), Mr. J. J. Rooney's Mrs. Jiggs (Owner), Mr. P. Taylor's Star of Hope (Owner), Mr. C. Welly's That's That (Mr. Jas. Walsh), Mr. J. A. Trench's Derry-na-Shee (Captain H. de Burgh), Mr. P. Rooney's Prospect (Mr. F. Rogers), Mr. J. J. Rooney's Riversdale II. (Owner), Mr. F. Berney's Michael George (Mr. J. Berney).

Won in a canter by thirty lengths; a head.

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Owners and trainers should note that entries close to-morrow with Mr. H. Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin, for the Phœnix Park March Meeting, which marks the opening of the Irish flat racing season.

Spain and Rumania have challenged for the Davis Cup.

Lord Ednam fell and broke a leg in the Selling Steeplechase Handicap at Derby yesterday, and was subsequently destroyed.

Orders have been received at Cowes for the preparation of the King's cutter, Britannia, for the coming racing season. The fitting out is to be started in April.

A stray dog, which strolled on to the field of play at Twickenham on Saturday, caused perturbation among members of the French Rugby team, all of whom appealed to the referee to stop the game and have the animal removed.

Yesterday Mr. Parkinson sent from Kildare Railway Station en route to Sandown Park for his engagement there on Thursday the smart hurdler Smoke Cloud, who will be ridden by T. Burns, with whom Mr. Parkinson has come to an agreement to ride the Maddenstown Lodge horses during the year.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Derby Stakes, Epsom—Beeston and Bridges.
National Trial Steeplechase, Gatwick—Royal Edgar.
Sentiny Steeplechase, Gatwick—Golly Eyes, Tara Hill.
Stayers' Handicap Hurdle, Gatwick—Devonport.
Four-Year-Old Handicap Hurdle and Rusper Maiden Hurdle, Gatwick—Imperial.
Selling Handicap, Uttoxeter—Wee Mon.
Tinsley Handicap Hurdle, Royal Artillery Meeting —Confirmation, Redmer.
All engagements under National Hunt Rules—Barbet, Wake Up.
Derby engagements — Black Mask, Barnaby Rudge.
Other engagements—The Downs, Kemel (dead), Sobold (dead)

LIMERICK, MARCH, 1924.

The City and St. Patrick's Day Plates, advertised to be run on February 20th, not having received the stipulated number of entries, have been cancelled, and the following races substituted, to Close on WEDNESDAY NEXT with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin (telegraphic address—"Turfclub, Dublin"):—

NEW RACES.

THE SHANNON PLATE of 50 sovs., of which the second will receive 3 sovs. A handicap hurdle race. A winner after publication of the weights (March 7th, 10 a.m.) to carry 12lbs. extra. Entrance 1 sov. Two miles.

THE LIMERICK PLATE of 50 sovs., of which the second will receive 3 sovs. A handicap steeplechase. A winner after publication of the weights (March 7th, 10 a.m.) to carry 12lbs. extra. Entrance 1 sov. Three miles.

PRINCIPAL WINNING CROSS-COUNTRY JOCKEYS IN ENGLAND.

(Compiled from January 1st to February 23rd.)

	Mounts.	Won.	Lost.
Rees, F.	104	31	75
Morgan, A.	129	25	104
Horan, J., jun.	90	21	69
Duller, G.	79	19	60
Brookes, F.	87	11	46
Wootton, F.	53	9	44
Anthony, J.	66	9	57
Smyth, A.	33	8	25
Smith, A.	41	7	34
Leader, T.	43	7	36
Wandby, A.	46	7	39

POLO.

RIVIERA TOURNAMENT.

CANNES, *February 23.*

In the final of the Polo Competition for the Prix de la Croisette, played here to-day, Whites (Hon. D. L. Melville, Senor A. Pena, Senor J. de Parada, and Mr. R. Wanamaker) beat Blues (Mr. B. Balding, Hon. K. MacKay, Colonel P. K. Wise, and Major P. Magor) by 6 goals to 4.—(Reuter.)

CANNES, *Monday.*

In the first round of the Junior Polo Championship, played here to-day, the Whites (Lord Ilkley, Major H. Lyons, Mr. Early Hoopling and Mr. R. Lambton) beat the Blues (Mr. J. F. Macafee, the Hon. D. L. Melville, Senor de Parada and Senor A. M. Pena) by 6 goals to 3.

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date—February.	Meet.	Hour.
Wednesday, 27th	The Hatchet	1.30
March.		
Saturday 1st	9-Mile Stone	1.30

THE KILDARE.

February.		
To-day	16-Mile Stone	11.30
Thursday, 28th	Tinoran Cross Roads	11.30
March.		
Saturday, 1st	Dunferris Cross-roads	11.30

THE MEATH.

February.		
To-day	Kilmoon	11.0
Thursday, 28th	Britas	11.0
Friday, 29th	Garaduce	11.0

WARD UNION.

A big field attended at Palmerstown cross-roads on Saturday, when, in cold, bright weather, the Wards experienced their worst scenting day this season. Enlarging on Mr. John Rooney's farm at Cottrellstown, Malahidine started early by the stag selecting a most intricate line of country, back over the Nutstown road, and through Wyestown and Jordanstown to the Palmerstown Green lane. Crossing the Garristown road near Palmerstown, the pack were by Whitestown across the Wren's Nest lane and the Oldtown road to Drishogue, where a check occurred, which enabled their quarry to double back to Malahidine, where he was recovered by Rowlestown. Crossing the Swords road at Killossery, they hunted slowly by Pew Barn and The Rath to Mount Ambrose, and on by the Lovers' Wood and Lisppoble to Rathbeal, where the stag was viewed in the distance. Without being able to reduce his lead, they hunted on through Saucerstown to Roganstown, where they turned to the right along the Broadmeadow river, and held a faint line along its banks by Balhery and Newtown, until being completely run out of scent in the bottoms near Swords.

THE WESTMEATH HOUNDS.

Wednesday, 20th inst., furnished two excellent hunts. Hounds met at Hopestown cross-roads, and a move was first made to Bryanstown gorse, where a fox was away just as hounds reached the cover. Pointing straight for Churchtown, the formidable Bryanstown "double" was quickly reached and claimed a big toll of the very numerous field that was out. Leaving Dysart behind, Crinsonna seemed to be the objective of this good fox, and would probably have gone there but for being too hard pressed by the hitches. Turning short back near the railway he ran along the line for a considerable distance, at the Priests house the field divided, not knowing which side to go, but the pack had the best of it as they raced through Barretstown, back to Bryanstown, and marked their fox to ground near Mr. Casey's house, after a capital thirty minutes without a check. Horses were very much blown, as we moved slowly on to Greenpark, where at least three foxes were on foot. Unfortunately, the selected one went to ground in Strattenstown gorse. With a diminished field, Ballvate was the next order. A fox was at home, but immediately got to ground in the main earth, which had been stopped over-night, but was evidently re-opened by badgers or rabbits; it cannot be too strongly impressed on sportsmen that to look round the earths in the morning is often beneficial to all. Slanestown bog was then drawn for the first time this season, and as the end, near the chanel, a fox jumped up in the middle of the pack. With a fine scent hounds ran their hardest, pointing for first as if for Somna, and keeping bending left-handed until they reached Ballyvate. The fox first broke on the Hopestown side, but was headed, and going away on the other side took on through Shandona into Clondalkin. Bending right-handed, he left slanestown bog on his left, crossed the road into Walkinstown, and over the Howestown-Livington road, through Ardcavahan (where it was expected he would hold this year's point-to-point), on into Grange and Sarcenstown. Half-a-mile short of the Mullingar military barracks hounds checked, but were quickly righted, and raced through Ferrans Lock, leaving Rathgowan on the right, into Irishtown and Castlemiltchet. Close to St. Finian's Seminary they took a left-handed turn, and ran straight into Tullaghan bog, where several fresh foxes were on foot, and although hounds were still hunting most of the followers turned for home, having had more than enough. As hounds ran it was at least six miles over a very good country. Thanks to the kindness, and the loyalty to sport of the inhabitants, who gave every assistance, all who saw those two sporting hunts thoroughly enjoyed them.

MEATH HOUNDS.

CHANGE OF MEET.

These hounds will meet on Thursday 28th at Britas, instead of Moynalty.

WARD UNION HOUNDS.

Hounds will meet on Wednesday, 27th, at The Hatchet, instead of Ten Mile Bush.

HILLSIDE HARRIERS.

Meet at Rathfarnham to-morrow (Wednesday) at 3.30 p.m.

KILL HARRIERS.

March—Tuesday, 4th, Enfield; Friday, 7th, Cadamstown; Monday, 10th, Summerhill; Saturday, 15th, Parkstown (Ballivor); Tuesday, 18th, Longwood; Tuesday, 25th, Pond-le-point cross-roads; Friday, 28th, Rathmolyon. Meet at 1 o'clock.

The WESTMEATH HOUNDS will meet as follow: March—Monday, 3rd, Moyvoughly; Wednesday, 5th, Coolnare; Friday, 7th, Clonmellon; Monday, 10th, Loughnavalley; Wednesday, 12th, Kilbyon; Friday, 14th, Streamstown; Tuesday, 18th, Tullamore; Wednesday, 19th, Delvin; Friday, 21st, Cat and Mouse. At 11 o'clock.

DUNSANY HARRIERS will meet on Thursday, February 28th, at Rathmore Bridge, near Ratoath, Thursday, March 6th, at Walterstown, at 12.30 o'clock

TRAINERS' ASSOCIATION.

SATISFACTORY ARRANGEMENTS NEARLY COMPLETED.

The meeting of the Trainers' Association, adjourned from the 18th inst., was resumed at Maddenstown Curragh yesterday, Mr. Parkinson (Chairman) presiding. There were also present:—Messrs. T. Coombs, A. B. Coyle, M. Dawson, J. T. Rogers, John Doyle, and Philip Behan.

A letter from the Secretary of the County Kildare Farmers' Union approving the suggestion that the Trainers' Association be affiliated with that body, and that for that purpose a branch of the Farmers' Union be formed at Suncroft, was read.

The apology received by Mr. M. Dawson for the statement published that he had applied to the Tattersalls Workers' Association to carry on his business, was considered satisfactory. It was made clear at the meeting that no trainer had made any such application.

Reports were presented by the members in attendance (and by others who were unable to attend the meeting) to the effect that satisfactory arrangements were almost completed for carrying on the work of their stables in the normal manner.

It was brought under the notice of the meeting that two pickets had held up Mrs. C. Brabazon while she was superintending the conveyance of a load of bran to her husband's stable, and that the pickets concerned in the transaction had been arrested. It was learned with regret that Mrs. C. Brabazon was, at the time of the incident, in hospital, after being operated on for an internal complaint. The utmost indignation was expressed at the strikers' action. The meeting was adjourned until Monday, March 3, at Maddenstown Lodge.

HOCKEY.

IRELAND v. SCOTLAND.

The following side has been selected to represent Scotland against Ireland on Saturday next at Edinburgh:—"P" Sinclair (Nomads); "D. E. Innes (St. Andrews), "J. A. Grier (Aberdeen University); "A. C. Anderson (Western), "T. F. Hastings (Wolverhampton), G. W. N. Mackay (Aberdeen University); "C. Kirkpatrick (Oxford University), "H. E. C. Bacon (Western), "N. R. Kirkpatrick (Oxford University), "H. S. Walker (Melrose), G. Middleton (Edinburgh North

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

BRITISH FUNDS STRONG. MARCONIS LOWER. TEXTILES AND IMPERIAL TOBACCOS HARDER. GUINNESS OPEN LOWER BUT RECOVER.

There was barely a steady amount of quiet business current on 'Change yesterday. National Government 5 p.c. Loan fully paid on application fell back, but the Instalment stock fully paid closed steady. All this stock is now fully paid up. British Funds were busy and strong at an almost general improvement. Funding, Conversion and War Loan Fives were particularly good. Banks varied a little, but actual dealing was mostly in exceptional or small lots. Among Breweries Guinness Ord. were realised, and gave way at one time, but fully recovered later on. Distillery shares were supported, especially Dublin Distillers' Ord. shares. Marconi Ord. lost portion of last week's rise. Home Rails show a few irregular fluctuations of no particular moment. Dublin United Tramway Pref. rose 80 par, or 10 x.d. Manufacturing shares were nearly all a shade harder. Lafayette Pref. advanced sharply on recent reduced level. Barry Ostlere rose.

Government National 5 p.c. Loan fully paid on application fell ⅛ to 98⅜, and the Instalment fully paid repeated 96⅝.

British Funds were good. War Loan 5 p.c. rose ⅛ to 100⅛. Funding Loan 1 to 87⅛, 3½ p.c. Conversion Loan ⅛ to 76⅝, Irish Land 2¾ p.c. ½ to 57¾, and Local Loans 3 p.c. ¼ to 64⅜, while Consols repeated 56⅛, and Guaranteed Land 2¾ p.c. Stock 57¼.

Banks were irregular. Provincial Old shares rose ⅛ to 22½, but Munster and Leinsters fell ¼ to 6¾, and Nationals ⅛ to 19, while Hibernians repeated 6¾.

More general attention was given to Breweries and Distilleries. Guinness Ord. at one time were pressed back ⅛ to 39¾, after opening at 40, but later recovered to 40 40⅛. The Pref were steady at 11¾, Dunvilles at 11⅛, and John Jameson and Son Debs. at 64½.

Dublin Distillers' Ord. rose 1s. to 26s. Marconi Ord. fell 9d to 40s. 3d. Cement shares were firm, the Pref. rose ⅛ to 58, and the Debs. ½ to 72. Midland Great Western 4 p.c. Pref. relapsed 1½ to 52, but the 4½ p.c. Debs. rose ½ to 68, and the 4 p.c. Debs. repeated 65¼. Great Northern Debs. were unchanged at 73, but the Pref fell ½ to 60½. Great Southern Collooney Baronial show no change at 5. Dublin and South Eastern at the later market repeated 18½.

Parent Tyre Def. realised 24s.

In Tramways, Dublin United Pref. rose ⅛ to 10 x.d.

Dealing in Drapery Shares was confined to Pim Bros. Pref., which rose 1s. to 75s., and Switzer Pref. 1s. 3d. to 81s. 3d.

Manufacturing Shares were slightly better. A. Armstrong Pref. rose 6d. to 7s. 6d. bid. Bleachers 1½d. to 49s., 49s. 1½d. Calicos 1½d. to 34s. 3d. Coats 1½d. to 62s. 7½d. Imperial Tobacco 3d. to 69s. 9d., 70s. and then eased to 69s. 9d. again; and Lever Bros. Pref. rose 1½d. to 20s. 9d. British-American Tobacco fell 6d. to 103s. 6d., 103s. 3d. Bradford Dyers eased 1½d. to 61s. 10½d.

In Trading, etc., Burke issues closed firm, the Pref. repeated 73s. Brooks Thomas Pref. 16s. and Allen Thom Ord. 1s. lost. Tate Ord. realised 46s., and Yam Seng Rubber 1s. 9d., the latter a fall of 1½d. Dublin Artisans Dwellings fell ⅛ to 5½, but Lafayette Pref. rose 8s. 3d. to 40s. Merchants Warehousing shares rose 5d. to 27s. buyers. Irish Times Pref were firm at 71s. 6d., and the 2nd Pref. at 16s. 3d.

Steel Transports fetched 93s. 3d., and Barry Ostlere rose 1s. to 54s.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.

Transactions for cash marked "c."

National Loan..(99)	98⅛	Colloony & Swineford	
Do. Instalment..(99)	96⅛		
(96⅛)	96⅛	Dub. Tram Pref.(98)	10
Consols .....(56⅛)	56⅛	Parent Def..(24/9)	*24/-
5% War Ln.(100⅛)	100⅛	Alliance .....(7)	7
Funding Loan..(86⅛)	87⅛	Pim Pref.....(74½)	75-
Conver. Loan.(76⅛)	76⅛	Switzer Pref..(80/-)	81/3
Guar. Land..(57¼)	57¼	Armstrong Pf.(47/-)	7/6h
2½ Land Act.(57¼)	57¼	Bleachers .....(49/-)	*49/-
India 3½% .....(64)	64		9/1d
Belfast Mar. Def.		Brad. Dy..(62½)	62½
(76)	78	Calicos .....(34⅛)	34/3
Hibernian Bank.(64)	63½	Coats .....(62⅞)	62⅞
Mun. & Lein.....(7)	*6dx	Cottons .....(90⅞)	90⅞
National .....(19½)	*19	B.A.T.(103/9)	103/6 5/3
Provincial..(22½)	22½	Imp. Tob.....(69/9)	69/9
Dublin Dist.(25½)	26/-		40 ⅛
Dunvilles .....(11⅛)	11⅛	Lever 7% .....(20/7½)	20/9
Guinness..(40⅛)	40 39⅞	Lever Pref..(16/-)	*16/-
	40 ⅛	Burke Pref.....(73/-)	*73/-
Do. Pref....(114)	114⅞	Thom Ord.....(13/-)	*13/-
Jameson Deb..(64½)	64½	Do. Pref.	100⅞
Marconi ...(41⅝)	40⅝ /3	Yam Seng.....(7/10½)	1/9
D.S.E. Ord....(18½)	18½	Dublin Art. Dwellings	
G.N. Pref.....(61)	60½	(58½)	58½
Do. Deb.....(73)	73	*Irish Times 54x	
G.S.W. Ord..(49⅝)	*49		71/6
Do. Pref....(57⅞)	*58	Do. 6½% ...(116/3)	16/3
Do. Deb.....(71¼)	72	Lafayette Pf..(31/9)	40/-
M.G.W.* 4% Pref..(65)	65½	Merchants' Warehousing	
Do. 4½ Deb. (66½)	65½	(26/7)	*27/- 27/6
Do. 4½% Deb.(68¼)	68½	Barry Ostlere.(53/-)	54/-
		Shells .....(93/6)	93/3

*Odd lot; b bid, a asked.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount	5 p.c. 5th July, 1923.
Deposit	2 p.c. 5th July, 1923.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day..	March 3 March 17
General contango day..	March 4 March 18
Ticket day	March 5 March 19
Account day	March 6 March 20

BELFAST.

Belfast Exchange resumed with a fair accumulation of week-end orders. Government stocks were firm, the 5 p.c. War Loan changed hands at 100⅛, 100⅜, 2½ p.c. Conversion Loan at 76½, Exchequer 5½ p.c. Bonds at 101⅛. Amongst Bank shares, Northern Bank "B" brought 2½, and Midland partly-paid 8⅛, and a small lot at 8⅜. In Local Boards, Corporation 3½ p.c. 1926 Stock was done at 89, and Water Commissioners 3 p.c. stock at 62½. Railway stocks were idle. Great Northern Ord. was dealt in at 64½ x.d. In Industrials, the market was quiet, and but few transactions were recorded. Lever Bros. 8 p.c. Pref. were done at 20s. 7½d. and 20s. 6d. While, Tennins and Carpets 5 p.c. Pref. were dealt in at 25s. 6d., and Dunlop Rubbers at 9s.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

CANNOCK AND CO.—8 per cent. per annum (5/2 3-5d. per share), free of tax (same); £2,000 to reserve; £19,268 forward.

DUBLIN GRANARIES.—The usual 2/- per share, £500 for redemption of Debentures, and £1,486 forward.

ABERDEEN JUTE—Dividend of 1/- per share, less tax.

ALEXANDER FERGUSSON AND CO.—Dividend on "A" and "B" Ord. shares of 12½ per cent. per annum, and bonus of 5 per cent., both less tax.

BRUCE PEEBLES AND CO., ENGINEERS, EDINBURGH.—Dividend of 7½ per cent. on Pref. shares for the half-year to December last, and a further dividend of 2½ per cent. for the year, both per annum, and a dividend for the year of 10 per cent. on Ord. shares, together with 5 per cent. bonus, all less tax.

C. AND E. MORTON—Final dividend on Ord., making, with the interim already paid, 10 per cent., and a further dividend of 5 per cent. per annum on the 6 p.c. Cum. Part. Pref., making 7 per cent. for the year ended 31st December, 1923.

McDONALD, FRASER AND CO.—Dividend of 6 per cent., free of tax, on Ord. Shares.

PANTIA TIN AND RUBBER.—Final dividend of 10 per cent., making 15 per cent. for the year.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY OF ENGLAND—The report of the directors of the Southern Railway for 1923 shows: Receipts £26,440,216, and expenditure £21,397,021, the total net income plus miscellaneous receipts being £6,251,637. After adding balances from last account, and £850,000 from railways compensation account, and deducting interest, rentals, and other charges and dividends on Guaranteed and Pref. Stocks, the balance available for dividends on the Ord. Stocks is £2,677,821. After paying the dividends announced last week—£250,096 is carried forward.

TIPPERLEY'S ESTATE CO. OF CEYLON.—Final dividend of 30 per cent., making 50 per cent. for the year.

WILLIAM GOSSAGE AND SONS.—Dividend at 5 p.c. First Cumulative Pref. shares, on 6¼ p.c. Cumulative Pref. shares, on Ord. shares at 20 per cent.

WOOLCOMBERS, LTD.—The directors yesterday decided, subject to audit, to recommend payment of a dividend on Ord. shares at the rate of 2/3 per share. The report and accounts are expected to be posted on the 29th inst. (Dividend last year 1/6 net).

YORKSHIRE ENGINE.—Final dividend of 5 p.c., tax free.

MINING REPORT.

Selukwe Gold Mining.—Work during the month of January was confined to No. 2 level, where a total of 286ft. of tunnelling has been carried out. Practically the whole of this was in drift No. 2 and No. 206 crosscut. Fifteen feet of drifting was done on the section carrying low values in No. 206 crosscut, as encountered in October. The values did not continue in the drift. It has been decided to temporarily discontinue lateral development along the ore zone with a view to first closely prospecting with the diamond drill certain areas on the No. 2 level which have already been passed through.

REPUBLIC OF CUBA FIVE PER CENT. GOLD BONDS OF 1904.
EXTERNAL DEBT.

Notice is hereby given that the Coupons due 1st March next may be presented at the Counting House of Messrs. J. Henry Schroder and Co., 145 Leadenhall street, London, E.C. 3, between the hours of 11 and 2 o'clock.

London, 25th February, 1924.

LONDON STOCKS FIRMER.

RECOVERY IN FRENCH LOANS.

The Stock markets were quite firm yesterday, though speculative issues, in which there has been some Continental speculation, this including Courtaulds, were rather dull. Courtaulds fell on the disappointment at the absence of any bonus distribution. In the Gilt-edged market, British Government securities and most investment issues were strong, while French Loans made a further recovery in sympathy with the franc. The tone at the close, however, was not quite so strong, and the market finished rather quietly. Five per cent. War Loan at 100½ gained ¼; Funding Loan rose ½ to 87⅛. The Conversion Loan, after being stronger, rose ¼ to 76⅜. Local Loans gained ¼ at 65.

The feature in FOREIGN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES was the strength of French Loans on the recovery in the franc. The Fives rose 1 to 22½ ex div. The Fours at 17½ gained ¼. German Threes at ½ rose ¼. Brazil Fours of 1889 rose 1 to 47. San Paulo also gained a point at 110. Japanese 6 per cent. Sterling improved to 3½ premium.

HOME RAILS were very quiet, but steady. Great Westerns rose ½ to 113. London and North-Eastern Def.-Ords. at 33¾ gained ¼. Underground Electric Income Bonds rose 1 to 104.

In COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILWAYS, "Canpacs" and Argentines were unaltered. Leos rose 1 to 27½. Central Uruguay Ord. at 59 rose ½, and United of Havana also gained ½ at 87. Americans were quiet.

OIL SHARES DEPRESSED.

GENERAL FALL IN PRICES.

Oil shares commenced the week in quiet fashion, a steady start being followed by sales on Continental account, causing prices to give way, the downward movement being accelerated by bear selling; but a harder tone developed at the end, and covering operations led to a partial recovery. With only a few exceptions, the price movements finally recorded were of small amount. Among the leaders, Royal Dutch gave way rather sharply as a result of selling from Amsterdam, and Shells suffered from realisations on Paris account. As a matter of fact, the dullness of Shells in the early hours was mainly responsible for the easier tendency of other favourites, and when Shells hardened in the late dealings other leaders became better in sympathy. Anglo-Persians and Burmahs were offered to a moderate extent and closed easier. A decline in Mexican Eagles was attributable to sales on Paris account. Oil exports from Mexico during January are estimated at 9,911,000 barrels, as compared with 12,954,000 barrels in December sales and 11,508,000 barrels in November. V.O.C. Holdings were an interesting market, for, following early dulness, a rally occurred after the meeting, at which a committee was appointed to consider the various contracts with a view to their modification. Later on, when the price slipped back again, the view being expressed that, pending the result of the inquiry, which must necessarily take some time, there was little to go for. Among other Venezuelans, British Controlled were firm, Trinidad Pref. meeting with a good demand. Business in Trinidad issues was of a quiet character, but, while Apex left off easier, General Petroleum of Trinidad met with support and strengthened. Closing prices:—

M.U.			
Feb. 19.			
4	Anglo-Dutch	36⅞	+0⅛
7½	Anglo-Egyptian	7⅝	
1/-	Anglo-Malay	20/-	-0/3
4/-	Asiatic Cons.	4/3	+0/3
2/9	Batu Mantanani	2/9	+0/1½
1⅞	Bukit Sembawang	1⅞	+0/1
14/9	Dasuanaran	14/6	
1/9	Grand Central	1/9	
3/-	Highlands	3/3	
2/6	Kamuning	2/6½	+0/1
14½	Kepong	14½	
4/-	Kuala Lumpur	3/9	+0/1
1/-	Kuala	1/-	
1/-	Linggi	31/6	
3/6	London-Asiatic	3/6	
1/-	Malacca	1/3	
2/4	Malaysian	2/3	+0/3
1/-	Merlimau	1/-	
2/6	Monero Valley	2/6	
2½	Pari Dickson	2⅜	+0/3
2/-	Rubber Trust	2/-	+0/3
1/3	Seafield	1/4½	
1½	Sendayan	1½	
3/-	Sialang	3/4	+0/3
1/6	Straits Rubber	1/7	-0/1½
2/6	Tali Ayer	2/6	
1/-	Tandjong	1/-	
1/-	Un-Sardang	1/-	
2/-	United Sua Betong	2/-	
1/3	Vallambrosa	1/3	
	Anglo-Sumatra	49	
	Bah Jias	29 1⅞	-/10⅞
	Batu Tiga	20/6	
	B.N.B.H. Trst	3/6	+0/6
	Brisbane	1/-	
	Bukit Cloh	3/-	
	Bukit Rajah	21/6	
	Bukitjalil	3/6	
	Serbol	2 10⅛	
	Clealy	6/1	
	Eastern Trust	1/6	
	Gen. Cayion	3/6	-0/3
	Glenbervie	3/9	-0/3
	Golden Hope	3/6	-0/3
	Java Amal	7/6	
	Kapar Para	20/-	-1/3
	Sumatra	11/9	
	Sungkiallang	2 10	-0 4⅛
	Tambah	2 10	-0 4⅛
	Tanjokalian	20/3	
	Tebobry	29/7½	
	Tekka	3/-	
	Malacca	39⅛	+2/0
	Tanjong Kumbang	2/-	
	Tanjong Malim	1/6	
	Tanjong Rambutan	2/-	
	Tanjong Tualang	2/-	
	Tapah	1/-	
	Tekka Taiping	1/-	
	Tronoh	1/3	
	Ulu Tembeling	2/7	
	Yam Seng	1/9	+0/1
	*Ex Dv.	‡Ex Rights.	†Cum div.

BUSINESS DONE

Agwi Corp. "A"—12/6. Anglo-Egyptian "B"—24/6, 6/10½, 6/-, 5¾, 5/7½. Anglo-Persian Ord.—65/7½, 8/-, 8/3, 3/11, 5/7½, 3/9, 4/4½, do. Pref.—20/4, 5/-. British Controlled Trust.—7/3, 2½d., 7/-, 6/11, 7/3, 2½d., 14/-, 6/-. Burmah—8/9, 10½d., 9/11½, 9d., 9/4. Caracas—2/-. Cevlon Rivers—18/9, 6d., 19/-. Colombian Corp.—1/3. Eastern Trust—1/6. Lobitos—7/-. Mexican Eagle Ord.—19/4½, 3d., 18/10½, 19/1½, 19/4½, 3d., 18/10½. do. 7 pc. Pref.—19/10½, 19/4½, 19/-. Rivers—18/9, 6d., 19/-. Mexican Eagle Ord.—20/-, 1½d., 6d., 3d., 19/10½, 19/-. Mexican Panuco—1/-. Mexican Petroleum—20/-, 1½d., 6d., 3d., 19/10½, 19/1½, 19/4½, 3d., 18/10½, 19/-. Mexican Petroleum Pref.—20/-, 1½d., 6d., 3d., 19/10½, 19/-. Mexican Southern—1/-. Mexican Tramways—20/-. Mexican Tramways Pref.—20/-. Mexican Transvaal Oil—1/-. Mexican Union—1/-. Mexican Western—1/-. Mexican Western Pref.—1/-. Mexican Zacatecas—1/-. Nobel Ord.—1/-. Nobel Pref.—1/-. Nobel Trust—1/-. Ocean Coal—1/-. Ocean Coal Pref.—1/-. Ocean Coal Trust—1/-. 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JAMES J. SCANNELL'S AUCTIONS

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), FEBRUARY 27,

AT 4 BACHELOR'S WALK.

SALE OF SUPERIOR COLLECTION OF

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, CARPETS, PIANOS, &c.,

COMPRISING:—Handsome Settee and 2 Arm Chairs, upholstered in Hide, in perfect order; superior Chippendale Drawingroom Cabinet, Chesterfield Settee and 2 Arm Chairs; Inlaid Bureau, Chippendale Centre Table, 2 Inlaid Drawingroom Cabinets, 2 7-Piece Drawingroom Suites, upholstered in silk Tapestry, and Inlaid Mahogany Frames; 6ft. Oak Sideboard, with Mirror Back; 5ft. Walnut Ditto; 6ft. Mahogany Pedestal Sideboard, 5ft. Ditto, Panel Back Diningroom Suite, consisting of Couch, 2 Easy Chairs, and 10 Small Chairs, upholstered in Scarlet Morocco; 2 Chippendale Overmantels, 9-Piece Mahogany Diningroom Suite, in Morocco Leather; 8ft. Mahogany Telescope Dining Table, handsome 5ft. Walnut Bedroom Suite, 5ft. Mahogany Bedroom Suite, with two Glass Doors to Wardrobe; 4ft. Ash Bedroom Suite, two 4ft. Satin Walnut Ditto, 2 Mahogany Chests of Drawers, Mahogany Dress-ing Tables and Marble-top Washstands; 3 Diningroom Suites in Saddlebags; Mahogany Camp Chest of Drawers, brass bound; several Black and Brass Double Bedsteads, with Wire and Hair Mattresses; Bolsters and Pillows; Mahogany Fall-Leaf Tables, 10 Bordered Axminster Carpets, some practically new; 4 Poodles, Tantalus, 3 handsome 40-Piece Tea Sets, 12 Colour Prints, several Sets of 6 Dining Chairs in American Cloth, Morocco Leather and Hair-Seating; Couches and Easy Chairs, Oak Roll-top Desk, Chiffoniers, Dwarf Wardrobes and Chests of Drawers, Hall Stands and Chairs, 8 Rooms of Linoleum, Brass Fenders and Fire Brasses, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils, Gent's Bicycles, &c., &c.

SALE AT 1 O'CLOCK. ON VIEW TO-DAY.

FRIDAY NEXT, FEBRUARY 29TH,

AT 4 BACHELOR'S WALK.

McGRANE, REGAN & CO., IN LIQUIDATION.

SUBSCRIBER HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO

SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION

ON FRIDAY NEXT, FEBRUARY 29TH,

AT ONE O'CLOCK, THE ENTIRE STOCK OF

SURGICAL IMPLEMENTS AND APPLIANCES, TOILET REQUISITES, &c., &c.,

COMPRISING:—3 h.p. Motor, 2 Lathes, Hacksaw Machine, Drilling Machine, Shafting and Belts, Vices, Bench Shears, Polisher and Stones, Showcase, Counterease, Typewriter, Cash Register, Singer Sewing Machine, Large Quantity of Surgical Implements and Appliances, Thermometers, Surgical Enamelled Ware, &c., &c.

ON VIEW THURSDAY.

ARTHUR COX & CO., Solicitors, 5 Stephen's Green.

JAMES J. SCANNELL,

AUCTIONEER AND VALUER, 4 BACHELOR'S WALK.

BATTERSBY & CO.'S SALES.

FURNITURE SALES.

97 STRAND ROAD, SANDYMOUNT.

TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), 27TH FEB., AT 12 O'CLOCK.

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

The residence having been let, we are now instructed to SELL BY AUCTION, on the Premises, on the above date, the Furniture and Effects, including Sheraton Small China Cabinet, Oak Cabinet, Sideboard, with mirror back; Set of Oak Chairs, Leather Seats; Linoleum, Carpets; Dining Table, Bamboo Bookcase, Pictures and China, Axminster and Indian Carpets, Brass Fire Furniture, Sofa and Easy Chairs, Oak Bedroom Suite, Brass and Iron and Oak Bedsteads, Walnut Chest of Drawers, Combination Toilet Table, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils.

On View morning of Sale, 10 to 12 o'clock. Terms—Cash and 5 per cent. fees. Delivery after Sale.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28TH, 1924,

AT OUR SALEROOMS, No. 39 WESTMORELAND ST., AT 130 O'C.

(UNLESS PREVIOUSLY DISPOSED OF BY PRIVATE TREATY).

AS ALREADY FULLY ADVERTISED.

B. & Co. 19 LORD EDWARD ST. & 33 CASTLE ST. FEB. 28TH

EXCELLENT BUSINESS PREMISES. POSSESSION.

No 19 Lord Edward street is held in Fee Simple, and 33 Castle street is held for Ever subject to £26 15s. 6d. Seen on our Orders.

PETER M. SEALES, Solicitor, 11 College Green.

B. & Co. 277 N.C. ROAD (CHARLEVILLE TER.). FEB. 28TH

COMMODIOUS. MODERN. POSSESSION.

Seen on our Order. Held for 250 years, subject to £6 yearly.

PETER M. SEALES, Solicitor, 11 College Green.

BATTERSBY & CO., AUCTIONEERS,

39 WESTMORELAND STREET, DUBLIN.

JAMES H. NORTH & CO.'S SALES.

SALE TO-DAY (TUESDAY), AT 110 GRAFTON ST., AT 2 p.m. SHARP.

45 RAGLAN ROAD. CLEAR POSSESSION TO PURCHASER.

One of these Superior Houses, with large garden in front and rear, conch-house and stabling; electric light; Accommodation: study and diningroom, pantry and w.c., all on hall floor; two drawing-rooms, five bedrooms, bathroom and box-room, two servants' rooms. Side entrance. Held for 800 years from 1911, subject to £10 per annum.

Messrs. BEAUCHAMP and ORR, Solicitors, 5 Foster place, Dublin.

SALE TO-DAY (TUESDAY).

30 UPPER LEESON STREET.

JAMES H. NORTH AND CO., having Sold the PREMISES, are further instructed to SELL THE ENTIRE FURNITURE and EFFECTS. Sale at 12 o'clock.

JAMES H. NORTH & CO., 110 GRAFTON STREET.

SALE THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock.

GAINSBORO' HOUSE SALEROOMS.

WM. MONTGOMERY & SON will SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Premises, as above, an exceptionally fine Collection of General HOUSE FURNITURE & EFFECTS comprising chiefly:—Cottage Pianos, by Maxime Froes and Pohlmann, in Mah., Mahogany and Walnut Cases; Inlaid Mahogany Cabinet Grammophone and 200 Records, comprising some 4 operas, Mikado, etc., songs by Caruso and McCormack; Drawing and Diningroom Suites in Tapestry and Leather; Occasional Tables, Mahogany, Walnut and Ebonised China Cabinets; MAHOGANY CONVERTIBLE BILLIARD AND DINING TABLE, 6' 6" x 3' 6", and ACCESSORIES; Oval End Mahogany Dining Table, 4 Sets Chairs, Sideboards, Card Tables, 3-Door (6ft.) Bookcase, Writing Tables, Settees, Sofa-top Desks, Mahogany and Walnut Bedroom Suites, Bedsteads, Wardrobes, Chests of Drawers, Toilet Tables, Washstands, Linoleum, Carpets, Rugs, Fenders and Fire Furniture; OIL Paintings and Engravings; ELECTRIC CLOCK, SURMOUNTED BY EQUESTRIAN BRONZE FIGURE, SIGNED MORIS; Pair Bronze Figures of Warriors, 3' 3" high, White Marble Cased Clocks; SEVEN-DAY MAHOGANY CASE CLOCK, White Marble Cased Marble Urns, on pedestals; Pair Small Oval Mahogany Cased Clocks; Antique Mahogany Gent.'s Wardrobes, Mahogany and All-brass Bedsteads and Bedding, Overmantel Glasses and Mirrors, Kitchen Utensils, Outdoor Effects. Purchasers to pay 5 p.c. Fees.

PIANOS AND CARPETS WILL BE SOLD AT 3 O'CLOCK.

WM. MONTGOMERY & SON, M.I.A.A.,

AUCTIONEERS & VALUERS, 24 SUFFOLK STREET, DUBLIN.

SALE THIS DAY (TUESDAY).

JAMES HILL & SON, 9 & 10 BACHELOR'S WALK.

HIGH-CLASS AUCTION OF

SUPERIOR MODERN FURNITURE.

CARPETS, AND EFFECTS,

Comprising:—DRAWINGROOM, DININGROOM, BEDROOM, and HALL FURNITURE, in VARIETY: ROOM, HALL and LANDING CARPETS, HEARTH RUGS, LINOLEUMS: OVERMANTELS; and a LARGE COLLECTION of CHINA, GLASS, PLATED WARE, &c.

SALE commences 1 p.m. Purchasers pay 5 per cent. fees.

JAMES HILL & SON, M.I.A.A.,

AUCTIONEERS AND VALUERS, 9 AND 10 BACHELOR'S WALK.

SALE THIS DAY, at 12 O'CLOCK,

24 ROYAL TERRACE, DUN LAOGHAIRE,

ENTIRE CAPITAL HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE AND EFFECTS.

CHOICE ENGRAVINGS BY FARQUHARSON (SIGNED), PICTURES, CHINA, MISCELLANEOUS BOOKS, Drawingroom Appointments, Chesterfield Couch, Helmet Coal Vase; Easy, Inlaid, and Fancy Chairs; Marble Carpets, Curtains, Lino.; usual Kitchen Furniture, etc. Entire on View up to hour of Sale.

HAZLEY & COMPANY,

AUCTIONEERS, VALUERS, HOUSE & ESTATE AGENTS,

MAIN STREET, BLACKROCK.

STORE CATTLE AUCTION

EVERY THURSDAY. ENTRIES INVITED.

GANLY, SONS & CO

GRAZING LANDS, SEASON 1924.

Maryville, Raheny, in Divisions of 10½ and 8 Acres.
Green Hills, Tallaght ..... 22 and 14 Acres.
Clondalkin ..... 16 and 25 Acres.
Dunleckne ..... 12 Acres.
Booterstown ..... 19 Acres.
Castleknock ..... 22 Acres.
Rathfarnham ..... 12 Acres.
Templeogue ..... 21 and 30 Acres.

Particulars from

GANLY, SONS & CO.

USHER'S QUAY, DUBLIN.

McKEOWN, MacKEOGH & CO.

IMPORTANT SALE OF

LIVE STOCK, FARM PRODUCE, IMPLEMENTS, Etc.,

ALSO LETTING OF LAND,

ROCKBROOKE, RATHFARNHAM, CO. DUBLIN.

WE have been favoured with instructions from Mrs. Byrne TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on the Lands as above, on NEXT WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1924, at 12 o'clock precisely, the following:—12 good milch cows, 4 excellent springers, 1 dairy bull, 10 two-year-old store cattle, 5 1½-year-old cattle, 3 calves, 1 splendid pony, grey mare, good worker; 16 lambs (in foal); 40 head of fowl; rubber-tyred milk cart; set of harness, grain cart; 2 Pierce mowing Machines, 1 baler, 3-part harrow, 2 trap collars, saddle, trap-ling tackle; 2 axles, 10 tyre barrels, feeding table, brass-mounted churn, 30 gals., 2 delivery cans, 15 gals.; six gallon can, 1½ gallon measure; rick 1st crop hay, 10 tons; 4 tons oaten straw; 20 tons mangolds; 10 tons turnips; 40 barrels grains in pit, and other Miscellaneous Lots; also Letting of 9 Acres splendid Grazing Lands, well watered, fenced, and sheltered; 4 Acres 3rd Crop Meadow, and 1½ Acres of Oat Crop.

ATTRACTIVE SALE OF

MAGNIFICENT GRAZING FARM,

BROADMEADOW, SWORDS, CO. DUBLIN.

WE have been favoured with instructions from Joseph Christie, Esq., TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION, in our Saleroom, 4 HAYMARKET, DUBLIN, on THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 1924, at 1.30 p.m., all the Interest and Goodwill in his splendid Grazing Farm, situated as above, and containing 48a. 2r. 35p., held in fee-simple, and subject to the nominal terminable I.L.C. annuity of £59 10/2. These lands are renowned for their fattening and finishing qualities.

Solicitors: Messrs. W. J. SHANNON and CO., 19 Upper Ormond quay, Dublin. 'Phone 358.

SALE BY PRIVATE TREATY OF

SPLENDID GRAZING FARM,

Containing 122 Acres, or thereabouts, I.L.C. Terminable Annuity £94. F.L.V. £109. There is a substantial Residence and Out-offices on the holding.

This Farm is well fenced and watered, and is very conveniently situated, adjoining Leixlip Station (M.G.W. Railway Co.).

Particulars from THE AUCTIONEERS; or MICHAEL L. HEARN, Esq., Solicitor, 24 Dame street, Dublin. 'Phone 1085.

GRAZING LANDS BY PRIVATE TREATY.

42 Acres at Ballycoolin, Blanchardstown, 36 and 56 at Rutterstown; 20 and 36, The Ward; 60 and 70, Dromlargin; Kilcock 54, Clonsilla Station. The above Lands are all well watered, sheltered and fenced, and a careful lord will look after the stock. In addition to above, we have also 20 divisions magnificent Dairying and Grazing Lands, N. and S. side of city, ranging in area from 10 to 60 Acres. Particulars from AUCTIONEERS.

McKEOWN, MacKEOGH & CO.,

Auctioneers and Valuers, Live Stock Salesmen and Factors,

4 HAYMARKET, DUBLIN.

'Phone 3. Telegraphic Address: "Factors, Dublin."

SALE TO-DAY AT 12 O'CLOCK.

52 MARLBOROUGH ROAD,

DONNYBROOK.

AUCTION SALE OF SUPERIOR FURNITURE CARPETS, PIANO, etc., ALL IN BRIGHT, CLEAN CONDITION, and comprising:—Beulhoff Upright Grand Piano, iron frame, mahogany case; Dais Seat; Violin; Records; Chippendale China and Corner Cabinets; Oak Sideboard, Oak Writing Table, Marble Slab, Card, Wine, Tea and Occasional Tables; Antique Chairs; Sheraton Chest Drawers; Antique Cover, and other Mirrors; Chesterfield, Couch, Down, Easy, and Occasional Chairs; Antique Pierced Brass Fender and Coal Box; Turquoise Vases and Plaques; Plated Ware; Worcester Tea Service; Ornamental and Table China and Glass; Bohemian, Turkey and other Carpets and Rugs; Curtains; Cinderlators; Oak We.sh Dresser; Telescope Dinner Table and Chairs; Pair Oak Open Bookcases; Oak Hall Stand, Cupboard and Chairs; Bentwood Hall Stand; Oak Mirror-door and Gent.'s Walnut Wardrobes; Mah. Chests Drawers; Toilet Tables and Sheraton Glasses; Combination Dressing Table and Washstand; Walnut Bedsteads; Spring and Hair Mattresses; Blankets and Bedding; Kitchen Dresser, Furniture and Utensils; Meat Safe, Garden Tools, Step-Ladder, etc.; House Linen, Electric Fittings. On View this Morning, 10 till 12. Sale To-day (Tuesday), 26th February, at 12 o'clock. Purchasers to pay 5 per cent. Auction Fees.

JAMES ADAM & SONS,

Auctioneers and Appraisers,

37 MERRION ROW and 19 STEPHEN'S GREEN.

INVERARY," AILESBURY PARK

SEMI-DETACHED MODERN VILLA

No Basement. Motor House and Side Entrance. VACANT POSSESSION.

TO BE SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, on MONDAY NEXT, 3rd MARCH, 1924, at the hour of One o'clock, by JAMES ADAM and SONS, AT THEIR PROPERTY SALEROOMS, 17 MERRION ROW, DUBLIN.

Held for an unexpired term of 152 years, Subject to a rent of £9.

"Inverary" is a modern non-basement House, structurally and decoratively in good condition, and has all modern conveniences, comprising: 3 window-sashes; 5 bedrooms, bathroom, with superior fittings; separate w.c., box closet, fixed closets in hall, kitchen scullery, and good-sized garden plot; motor house, and tool and bicycle house.

For Conditions of Sale apply to

JOHN and CRAWFORD WALKER, 1 Foster place, Solicitors for Vendor; or to

JAMES ADAM & SONS,

Auctioneers, Valuers, and House Agents, 17 MERRION ROW and 19 STEPHEN'S GREEN, N., DUBLIN.

THE DUBLIN PANTECHNICON,

17 PARKGATE STREET.

THIRD SALE.

MESSRS. R. STRAHAN and CO., LTD., are Selling by AUCTION on the Premises To-day (TUESDAY), FEB. 26, a quantity of FURNITURE and EFFECTS, the property of Parties out of notification already published. Also Trade Accounts, including:—Gent's Wardrobe, Chest of Drawers, Dressing Table, Bedsteads and Bedding, Overmantel Glasses and Mirrors, Kitchen Utensils, Outdoor Effects. Purchasers to pay 5 p.c. Fees.

PIANOS AND CARPETS WILL BE SOLD AT 3 O'CLOCK.

R. STRAHAN & CO., LTD.,

Auctioneers and Valuers,

135 STEPHEN'S GREEN, DUBLIN.

BROOKVALE, CLOGHER,

COUNTY TYRONE.

HIGHLY IMPORTANT SALE OF

GENTLEMAN'S RESIDENCE

AND VALUABLE FREEHOLD FARM.

THE undersigned Auctioneers have been favoured with instructions from Mrs. K. J. Turner TO SELL BY PUBLIC AUCTION

ON THE PREMISES AT BROOKVALE,

ON THURSDAY, 6th DAY OF MARCH, 1924,

At the hour of Twelve o'clock, noon,

THAT HANDSOME RESIDENCE AND VALUABLE FARM OF LAND situated, situate in the Parish of Augharamoney, and known as "Brookvale," containing 160 Acres 2 Roods 5 Perches, statute measure, held in fee simple, subject to an annuity payable to the Minister of Finance for Northern Ireland in half-yearly instalments of £42 1/9.

DESCRIPTIVE PARTICULARS.

The Property is situate in a picturesque and prosperous locality. The Lands are of the highest quality, and the plan, with conditions, may be inspected at the office of the Auctioneers, Cookstown, and will be produced at the Sale.

The Residence is beautifully situated in the centre of the property, having a commanding view of the entire valley, is a short distance from the county road, about 20 minutes' walk from the town of Clogher, is approached by a winding avenue through the lawn, which is nicely planted. It is substantially built with cut stone, contains entrance hall, 3 reception rooms, 6 bedrooms, dressing room, cloak-room, servants' apartments, office, bathroom (h. and c.), w.c. kitchen (with close range), pantries, scullieries, dairies, etc.

The Farmyard, which has a separate approach from the county road, with extensive slated and up-to-date Out-offices, which form an enclosed yard comprise:—Stable for 4 horses, 3 loose boxes, byres for 40 head of cattle, with lofts overhead, calves' houses, piggeries, boiling house, large barn, potato, turnip, stewart and implement houses, large turf and wood house, hay shed, 60ft. x 22ft. (by Archibald Dublin). The water supply to the house and yard is perfect, being from a pump closely adjacent. The purchaser can have the Threshing Machine at the Auctioneers' valuation.

There are 2 Labourers' Houses on the property, also a large Plantation of matured Scotch Spruce and Larch Timber.

The Vendor has carried on a profitable Dairy business for the past years, which is still capable of further development.

A valuable right of Turbary is apportioned to the property in the townland of Cullamore.

Farming operations will be carried on as usual up to date of Sale, which will leave about 10 Acres Awn Lea ploughed.

For further particulars as to Conditions of Sale, etc., apply to

EDWARD V. HAMILTON, Esq., having Carriage of Sale, Omagh; or to

WILLIAM STOCKDALE & SON,

AUCTIONEERS, CLOGHER.

STORE CATTLE SALES

EVERY THURSDAY.

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40-41 PRINCES STREET, DUBLIN

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Eglinton Road—FINE HOUSE FOR SALE, with possession; 4 reception, 4 bedrooms, maid's room; hot bath; pantries, cloakroom; good garden; immediate possession. Apply to Dockrell Limited, South Great George's street.

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